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THE ROADS TO YUKON.

English Company Confident of Permission to Build From Head of Lynn Canal.

They Base Their Expectations on a Charter Obtained Prior to Government Contract.

American as Well as English Capital in This Scheme to Rival Stikine Route.

NEW YORK, Feb. 23.—A Washington despatch to the Tribune says: The indications are that the facilities for reaching the Klondike gold region in Alaska in a comparatively short time will be ample to meet all reasonable demands. Trustworthy information has reached here from London to the effect that a syndicate of English and American capitalists has perfected arrangements for the construction from the head of Lynn Canal over White Pass and thence by a route already located to a point on the Yukon river below the rapids and all other obstructions, to clear and safe navigation. The road will be about 350 miles in length and from the point where it meets the Yukon there is said to be amply sufficient water at all times, making the trip to Dawson the shortest yet proposed.

The London managers of the proposed road have been in cable correspondence with government officials for some time as to whether the United States would place any obstacles in the way of the the consummation of the proposed plan. They have been unofficially informed that the people of the United States probably would welcome any properly constructed road which would meet the increasing demand for transportation into the Klondike.

Attention was called to the fact that some time ago it was announced that the Dominion government had under consideration a bill granting to a syndicate the exclusive right to build a railway across its border into the Yukon, thus shutting out American competition. The Canadian plan, it is understood, contemplated the building of a road from a point on the Stikine river to the Yukon. The new company, who, it is said, will begin operations within a short time, hold a charter from the Canadian government which was granted some time ago for a road along the route stated and hence any charter granted to the Canadian company referrred to must be made subject to the prior right to the White Pass project.

AVALANCHE AT QUEBEC.

Two Houses Destroyed and Four Persons Killed, While Several Miraculously Escape.

QUEBEC, Feb. 23.—(Special)—Four lives were lost by an avalanche at South Quebec, about 7:30 last night. Two houses were destroyed, built directly under the cliff, opposite and a little west of the Victoria Hotel. The disaster occurred suddenly, without a moment's warning. One house was crushed down by the weight of snow from above, while the upper stories of the other were cut clean off from the first story and overturned in front of it upon the street. A whole family named Labrecque were in this upper part of the house during its somersault and escaped practically unhurt. In the lower flat resided one Angers, his wife and six children. The father and two children, aged two and five respectively, were taken out dead. Mrs. Angers is in a critical condition.

THE DOUBLE DROWNING.

Further Particulars of the Recent Accident off Salt Spring Island.

A correspondent sends the following more complete story of the very sad accident at Salt Spring Island, on Saturday evening last, by which two young men, residents of the Island, lost their lives:

"The day had been very stormy, a strong southeast gale setting in towards evening. At about 5:30 p.m. Messrs. Harold W. Scott and George F. Smedley started in a small boat from the Ganges Harbor wharf to cross the water to their own home, Westfield, on the opposite shore. Nothing more was seen or heard of them until the following afternoon, Sunday, when the boat they had used was found lying in a disabled condition on the shore. A hat and other articles on the beach made it evident that there had been an accident, and shortly afterwards the two bodies were found near to one another on a reef, covered by three or four feet of water. The following day, Monday, an inquest was held, and a verdict rendered of 'accidental death by drowning.' The young men were both very popular on the Island and the gloom caused by their untimely death is universal. Mr. Scott was 26 years of age, and was the eighth son of the late Walter Scott, Esq., of Bradford, Yorkshire, and Mr. Smedley, who was aged 22, was a native of Burton-on-Trent. From the position in which the bodies were found there is reason to believe that Mr. Scott, who was a powerful swimmer, was himself drowned in his efforts to save the life of his younger comrade, Smedley."

The funeral took place from St. Marks' church, yesterday.

Editor Barass Recovering.

TORONTO, Feb. 23.—(Special)—Rev. Dr. Barass, assistant editor of the Christian Guardian, who had a paralytic stroke a week ago, is slightly better and hopes are entertained for his recovery.

CARPENTER tools at Cheapside. x

VANCOUVER NEWS.

Burglars Play Tag With the Police—Constable for Glenora—The Lyric Club.

VANCOUVER, Feb. 23.—Numerous burglaries are occurring in Vancouver. The police have arrested several suspects, but the burglaries continue. An unsuccessful attempt was made last night to break into Davidson Bros.' jewellery store. The police frightened the burglars away but did not catch them.

Malcolm McLean, detective of the city police force, is going up north to act as provincial constable, with headquarters at Glenora. Mr. McLean was presented with a gold locket by the force on the eve of his departure.

The Lyric Club closed a very successful two nights' performance last night with a banquet. Two crowded houses and unstinted praise was their portion from the public.

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THE PASSENGER WAR.

Canadian Interests Will Be Served by Victory of the C.P.R. Over the United States Combination.

TORONTO, Feb. 23.—To-day's Evening Telegram says editorially: "Good luck to the C.P.R. Canada's sympathies will be entirely with the C.P.R. in the fight which it is making to secure a lion's share of the traffic to the Yukon. It is not in the interests either of Canada or of the C.P.R. that a dollar should go to an American line if the C.P.R. can divert the dollar to its own coffers.

"The Grand Trunk has business interests which encourage it to send traffic to the Yukon via American routes. These interests are entirely opposed to Canada's interests. It would be unreasonable to expect the Grand Trunk to be patriotic and to lose money by allowing passengers to travel over the C. P.R. It would be just as unreasonable to expect Canada to take the business view of the question and to therefore withdraw its sympathy and support from the C.P.R., which in the fight has no interests which are not the interests of Canada.

"Canada for business reasons is the ally of the C.P.R. in this fight just as the Grand Trunk for business reasons is the ally of the American lines. The Grand Trunk's interests are identical with the interests of American roads, and the interest of Canada will be best promoted by a C.P.R. victory over the whole combination."

TARTE'S LIBERAL ENEMIES

Will Complain at Ottawa of an Unfair Distribution of Soup Tickets.

MONTREAL, Feb. 23.—(Special)—The anti-Tarte section of the Quebec Liberals are preparing for an organized kick, their grievance being the method of distributing government patronage in Montreal and elsewhere. There have been mutterings of discontent for some time, and now the local malcontents have made up their minds to ventilate their grievances at Ottawa.

BANKING AT DAWSON.

The British North American to Enter the Field With the Commerce.

MONTREAL, Feb. 23.—(Special)—The Bank of British North America has about decided to open a branch at Dawson City to compete with the Commerce. Although the latter will enjoy the government patronage, the Bank of British North America hopes to get a good share of other business.

A GREAT CARRIER.

The White Star's Mammoth Cargo Ship Makes Her First Trip Across the Atlantic.

NEW YORK, Feb. 23.—The new White Star freight and passenger steamship Cymric, the largest cargo carrier in the world, has arrived here on her maiden trip from Liverpool. She met rough weather all the way across, and she was forced to run at about three-quarter speed. Her time was 11 days, 2 hours and 49 minutes and her average speed 11.53 knots. Her commander, Captain Henry St. George Lindsay, formerly of the Adriatic, says the Cymric is the steadiest ship he has ever been aboard. He put a glass full of water on one of the saloon tables when leaving Liverpool and not a drop was spilled on the passage. On her trial trip the Cymric made about 17 knots per hour. Her engineer, Richard Owens, expects to cover the distance between New York and Liverpool in about eight days. This is the same as the Britannic and Germanic when the seas are smooth.

SAND STORM AT SEA.

The Heavens Obscured for Days by Red Sand Permeating the Air.

PLYMOUTH, Feb. 23.—The steamer Roslyn Castle from Table Bay, arrived here to-day two days overdue. She reports that on February 1 she encountered what seemed to be a fog, but which proved to be a sand storm. The air was permeated with red sand and for 900 miles the sun and stars were invisible. Observations were impossible until the ship reached Madeira, and for the entire distance the vessel worked her way by dead reckoning.

Archbishop Cleary Dying.

KINGSTON, Feb. 23.—(Special)—Archbishop Cleary cannot survive more than a few days longer. His constitution is broken down. The papal benediction has been imparted.

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YUKON LAWS REVISED.

Dominion Government About to Make Further Changes in Recent Regulations.

Goods Purchased in Canada to Be Customs Free by All Carriers via St. Michael's.

Expectation of Sweeping Reduction in Royalty—The Dredging Applications.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

OTTAWA, Feb. 23.—Mr. Ogilvie estimates that there are in Yukon 100 miles of water stretches which could be dredged for gold. The applications now before the interior department cover 3,000 miles. The Stewart river has been applied for ten times over.

Messrs. Wills and Livernash, representing Klondike miners, have had an interview with Mr. Sifton regarding the regulations. The chief objection is to the high royalty. It is generally expected that the government will reduce it to 2 per cent., and possibly 1.

Trains from Montreal arrived this afternoon, the first in 50 hours.

An important change has been made in the Canadian customs regulations, recently promulgated requiring that goods purchased in Canada and destined for the Yukon must be carried in British bottoms, otherwise full duties will be charged at the frontier ports. A number of companies, as for instance the Alaska Commercial Company, are purchasing supplies in Canada and intend sending them to Dawson by way of St. Michael's. As it is unlikely that there will be any British vessels plying between Dawson and St. Michael's this year, it has been considered unfair to purchasers of Canadian goods using this route that they should be compelled to pay duty on such supplies. An order in council has accordingly been passed which provides that during the season of 1898 goods purchased in the Dominion, upon being properly certified, may enter the Yukon district free even if carried in foreign bottoms, whether from ports in the United States or in Canada.

ONTARIO ELECTIONS.

The Government Quite Done For According to the Chief Opposition Organ.

TORONTO, Feb. 23.—(Special)—The World says of the election: "Judging from the reports received from all parts of the province the defeat of the present administration seems inevitable. The present outlook is that the Conservatives will carry the four Torontos, the two Ottawas, if not both the Hamiltons, Kingston, Brockville and London. In the Essex peninsula two or three seats are to be redeemed. All the Middlesexes, including Hon. G. W. Ross's seat, are booked as Tory. The Niagara peninsula, and Haldimand and Monck are looked upon as wins. The capitulations of Grit castles are looked for in Mid-Western and Northern Ontario, and to crown all, East York, Mr. Whitney's stronghold, is expected to record beyond a doubt a big majority for the opposition and the coming premier.

In Monck, Beck, the independent candidate, has retired. Joseph Martin, independent, is in the field in North Essex. Shoultice, Conservative, retires in Centre Bruce. Shore, independent, drops out in East Middlesex. In London and North Oxford there were surprises. C. A. Gould and M. B. Ashplant came out as labor candidates in London, while in North Oxford besides Pattulo, Liberal, and Kaufman, independent, previously announced, E. E. Towle, independent, and A. Montague, straight Conservative, were nominated.

MANITOBA AND NORTHWEST.

Wheat at Ninety Cents in Winnipeg—The Klondike Procession—Provincial Secretary Ill.

WINNIPEG, Feb. 23.—(Special)—The Lake of the Woods Milling Company are paying 90 cents a bushel for wheat in Winnipeg, and will continue to do so as long as the market keeps up.

In a letter from Dawson City dated January 10, Dan Costes of this city says he has not seen the sun since November 6. The weather has been comparatively mild.

Glen Campbell, a prominent Conservative politician of Dauphin, left to-night for the Klondike, with a large party. They go via Edmonton.

Hon. Mr. Mickle, provincial secretary, is seriously ill at Birtle.

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LOOKING FOR TROUBLE.

New York Press Reports Inciting to Belief That "Maine" Wreck Was Planned.

Official Warning From Havana That Sensational Rumors Lack Proper Foundation.

United States Citizens Advised to Go Home—Fleet Preparing for Hurried Service.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23.—The arrival of the mail to-day in Washington from Key West, bringing several private letters from naval officers lately attached to the Maine, caused a wave of excitement to run over the departments and the capital, for there were all sorts of rumors as to the contents of these letters, though very few of these rumors had any sound basis. The only feature, so far as could be discovered, of real importance as throwing any light on the cause of the explosion contained in the letters, was the statement that two after boilers in the boiler space were all of the right boilers of the Maine that were under steam at the time of the explosion. This fact had a negative value, for it disposed of the theory that an exploding boiler had caused the wreck. The experts all say that by no possibility could the after boilers' explosion have wrecked the fore part of the Maine and left the after part almost unharmed.

Much interest was shown in a despatch received shortly before 3 o'clock from Admiral Sicard, giving the recommendations of Capt. Sampson, of the court of inquiry, as to the raising of the wreck. The views of naval officers were that Capt. Sampson and his assistants were giving this advice, not as a court-martial, but as officers in a position to speak as to the best methods to be adopted for wrecking the Maine.

Evidently the president of the court of inquiry is fearful of the effect upon the public of ill-judged attempts to account for the destruction of the Maine, for this afternoon he telegraphed Secretary Long, doubtless having in mind certain public actions of this morning, as follows: "Any reported interview with divers untrue. Every precaution has been taken. Officers always present."

A formal order was made out this afternoon for Lieut.-Commander Wainwright to take the station at Havana and look after the government's interests while the work of wrecking the Maine progresses. It has been arranged that he shall be subsisted on board one of the wrecking steamers. The big double-turretted monitor Terror remains under orders to stay in Hampton Roads until further notice. It is likely that she will be sent to take the place of the Maine in the North Atlantic squadron if not needed elsewhere. The officials, however, are loath to encumber battleships and speedier craft with the Terror, as she might retard the manœuvres of the fleet.

NEW YORK, Feb. 23.—A despatch to the World from Havana says: The situation in Havana is more grave than it was a week ago. Although the officers of the naval board of inquiry preserve an impenetrable reserve, it is learned that some of the best naval experts now believe the explosion to have been the result of treachery. They do not believe that Spanish officers took part in the conspiracy. From evidence now in their possession they believe that the Spanish government, General Blanco and all the military subordinates were guiltless, alike of a knowledge of or participating in the crime. The explosion is believed to have been the work of a fanatic.

Consul-General Lee has informally advised Americans not necessarily detained here to leave for home at once. Many families will sail by the steamer Olive to-morrow. This is an indication that those on the ground realize the possibility of trouble arising suddenly and their inability to protect the women and children if outbreaks occur.

NEW YORK, Feb. 23.—A dispatch to the Herald from Havana says: The further the inquiry into the causes which lead to the Maine disaster proceed, the more remote appears the chances that any evidence will be discovered to show that the disaster was due to accident. The divers, when they penetrated into the forward part of the wreck, found that the whole forward part of the ship, from a point just abaft the forward turret, had been twisted fifteen or twenty degrees to starboard. That part of the vessel was a wilderness of debris and curled and twisted plates. The sharp, jagged edges of some plates added danger to the difficulties of the divers, getting the life lines into a tangle and fraying the cords. In one instance they almost cut through the rubber tube which supplied the divers with fresh air.

One important discovery made was the position of the bodies found in the wreck, one hundred of which were floating about in the torn compartments. A full score of these were examined by my informant. All of these bodies were in hammocks, and all had the arms curved upwards. It looked as if the men had been startled by some sudden shock of danger, and were in the act of reaching up for the hammock hooks to swing themselves on deck when death came. This seems to confirm what has already been said about there having been two explosions, the first startling the men into the act of rising from their hammocks, and the other dashing the life out of them while they were in that position.

Before the explosion the ten-inch magazine was located on the starboard side forward and beneath the forward turret. What is left of the magazine seems to have been driven towards the port bow in a diagonal and forward direction. The six-inch magazine, which is located on the port side of the ship forward, was hurled in a direction directly opposite that of the ten-inch magazine. One of the copper cylindrical tanks for the six-inch magazine was found by the divers in the wreck of that structure. It contained no powder charge. The ten-inch magazine has not been closely examined at this writing, but such inspection of it as was made leads to the belief that the big pile of twisted wreckage that lies about the top of it is composed of unexploded ten-inch charges.

The theory of two explosions is borne out by the testimony of Senor Antonio Cabellero, a tobacco dealer, of Havana. Senor Cabellero was crossing on the ferry boat at the time of the disaster. He was familiar with the Maine, having paid several visits to that craft, and was pointing out to a group of friends on the ferry boat her peculiarities. There came at that instant, he says, a dull report from the forward part of the ship, an upheaval of a geyser of water about the boat, followed almost instantly by a terrible roar and a blinding flash of light. He is positive about the first explosion, and says it was noticed by his companions. This statement of his came to the ears of the court of inquiry, and last night an officer was sent to Senor Caballero to ask him if he would appear as a witness before the court. He announced his willingness to do so.

MADRID, Feb. 23.—As the question of the purchase of Cuba is again pushed at Washington, it may be of use to state, on the highest authority, that Spain will never, no matter what government is in power, consider any such suggestion or any compromise in Cuba beyond the broad measure of autonomy drafted by the Liberal government. This is an absolute, irrevocable decision. The people who suggest anything else are wasting time and arousing unfounded hopes.

A BACHELOR'S HONEYMOON.

The Attraction for Victoria Theatre-Goers To-morrow Evening.

"A Bachelor's Honeymoon," which will open at the Victoria theatre to-morrow, is described as a rollicking farce of the wildest description. It had its first production at Hoyt's theatre, New York City, where it ran to a very successful business. The play deals with the adventures, not of a bachelor, as its title indicates, but of the adventures of a gentleman named Bachelor, who has married secretly an actress, and on bringing her home he endeavors to conceal from her the fact that he is a widower and is the proud possessor of two grown-up daughters. Aside from the motif, Bachelor and his actress wife, there is a prim, precise Boston spinster, a Boston lawyer, who being bitten by a dog imagines he has hydrophobia and bow-wows through the play, being only cured by a liberal supply from the demi-john of whisky, a maid-of-all-work, and a penny-a-liner detective who endeavors to find the cause of Bachelor's troubles, the two cherub-like daughters, who are the innocent causes of the fun-making, and all the elements which conspire to give the farce color and life.

From accounts "A Bachelor's Honeymoon" has been very successful both for its intrinsic work as a fun-maker, and also from the fact that an excellent cast is provided for its interpretation. The cast will include George F. Nash, celebrated for his "Cold Bottles" in "Chimmie Fadden"; Robert Paton Gibbs, one of the best character actors in the country; William Winter Jefferson, son of Joseph Jefferson; Horace Thrum, excellent light comedian; Vella McLeod, one of the best known of our comediennes, who will play the actress-wife from the Omphalia theatre; Virginia Jackson, the original "Cinders" in "Lost Paradise;" Nita Sykes, who plays the prim spinster sister; Phyllis Ashcom and Florence Milford, who will appear as the Twins who cause the trouble. Special effects are promised, and "A Bachelor's Honeymoon" ought to do business.

If sick headache is misery, what are Carter's Little Liver Pills if they will positively cure it? People who have used them speak frankly of heir worth. They are small and easy to take.

For Klondike.

MONTREAL, Feb. 23.—(Special)—Alex. Irving, president of the Montreal hockey club, will leave for Klondike on March 2, and will be accompanied by two other members of the M. A. A. A., Messrs. Fisher and Thompson, besides two other men from the Lower Provinces.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

The fac-simile signature of Chas. H. Fletcher is on every wrapper.

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ZOLA IS FOUND GUILTY.

The Author and His Publisher Sentenced to Imprisonment and Heavily Fined.

Verdict Received With Popular Acclaim as a Vindication of the Army.

PARIS, Feb. 23.—The Zola trial concluded to-day, and the jury retiring at 6:30, were absent about half an hour. The following questions were put: First—Is M. Perrieux guilty of having slandered the first council of war of Paris by publishing in L'Aurore an article signed by M. Zola, containing the following attacks? (Here followed the passages on which the indictment was based.) Second—Is M. Zola guilty of having provided M. Perrieux and other editors with the means of committing this slander?

Both questions were answered in the affirmative and the judge declared that there was no extenuating circumstances. M. Zola was then sentenced to one year's imprisonment and to pay a fine of 3,000 francs, the maximum punishment. M. Zola on hearing the verdict cried: "They are canaille."

M. Perrieux, the manager of L'Aurora, in which Zola published his Esterhazy charges, was condemned to four months' imprisonment and 3,000 francs fine.

Frantic bravos greeted the announcement of M. Zola's sentence and a scene of intense excitement followed. M. Laborie, M. Perrieux and some of the others present embraced M. Zola.

There was extreme tension in court while the jury was in retirement and the public was on tenterhooks until the verdict was rendered. Then the people present burst into tremendous applause. In the meantime all the approaches to the palace of justice had been cleared, the police commissary charged with the safety of M. Zola saying that he could not guarantee the latter's safety until the streets were in thorough control of the police. Exceptional measures were taken as the public emerged from the court. Outside the building there was terrific cheering, especially on the appearance of the officers who had figured in the trial. They were almost carried in triumph as shouts of "Death to the Jews" resounded on all sides. A number of violent fights ensued and a police secretary was slightly injured. The mob seemed to be delirious, shrieking cheers for the army and howling "Down with the Jews" with fierceness.

M. Zola emerged from the court at 7:50 p.m., and his appearance was the signal for fumultuous denunciations and insults and shouts of "Down with Zola," "Death to Zola." The crowd made a mad rush after the carriage but a strong bulwark of police intervened and saved him from the fury of his denunciators. A large force of police were stationed this evening in the neighborhood of Zola's residence. Many persons called, but all were informed by the servants that M. Zola had not returned but was dining in town. M. Zola returned home about midnight without further incident. The city is calm.

Grand Trunk Extension.

MONTREAL, Feb. 23.—(Special)—The Grand Trunk, it is stated, will parallel the Michigan Central line from Windsor to Toledo.

Business Disposed Of.

TORONTO, Feb. 23.—(Special)—A sale has been effected by Robt. Simpson, of the departmental store, of the business of H. H. Fudger & Co.

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Take for instance Dyspeptics who don't use Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets. They are certainly not acting wisely. For it is unwise to suffer such agony as people suffer from Dyspepsia, Indigestion, Heartburn, Biliousness, Sour Stomach, Wind on the Stomach, especially when a remedy that will cure each and all of these diseases can be got for half a dollar.

Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets cure Indigestion, Dyspepsia, and all other Diseases of the Stomach—except Cancer. They cure all these diseases quickly and permanently.

People who have Dyspepsia, Indigestion, etc., generally have Constipation. One can't be Cured unless the other is cured too. Therefore in each box of Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets is a supply of small brown Tablets, the best, quickest, gentlest laxative in the world. These regulate the bowels. Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets digest the food, tone, strengthen, and rest the stomach. They never fail. They can's fail.

If you don't believe it, try them. They are sold by all druggists at fifty cents a box, six boxes $2.50, or will be sent, on receipt of price, by the Dodd's Medicine Co., Limited Toronto.

THE CITY.

A TELEGRAM from Seattle last night states that the Bachelor's Honeymoon, which plays here to-morrow evening, made the greatest hit ever known there, every seat in the house being taken.

A PARAGRAPH from Tuesday's COLONIST, explaining the absence of telegraphic news, was by inadvertence re-inserted yesterday, in company with several columns of live telegraphic news from special correspondents and the Associated Press, which eloquently contradicted the the statement that the wires were again in trouble.

THERE were some clever specialties, a few laughable situations and some high kicking in "A Night in New York" as presented by Nellie McHenry's company at the Victoria theatre last night. There was a fair-sized audience and one of the best features was the vocal imitation of a German band, the mandolin and a railway train by Mr. John T. Hayes.

A FAIR-SIZED audience witnessed the production of the clever comedy, "The Mighty Dollar," by the Lindley Stock Co., at the A.O.U.W. hall, last evening. The performance was a decided success in every detail, Miss Mather and Mr. Lindley scoring decided hits in their respective roles of Mrs. General Gilflory and Judge Sloat. To-night the popular Irish-American comedy-drama, "Master and Man," will be presented. The bill for Friday is Boucicault's "Octoroon."

MR. J. W. WILLISON, crown timber agent for the Yukon, accompanied by Mr. Macfarlane, his assistant, are going on the Danube to Skagway, and will push forward to Lake Bennett as quickly as possible, aided by the Mounted Police. An office, with Mr. Macfarlane in charge, will be immediately opened somewhere in the lake country, and the timber laws governing that section will be rigidly enforced. Messrs. Willison and Macfarlane will render every assistance to licensees, but outside of these no one except miners will be permitted to cut timber. Miners will be allowed to cut only what they actually require. "It would be manifestly unfair," Mr. Willison said, "for those who have not complied with the law to enjoy any of the privileges accorded those who had taken out a license. Parties who are taking in sawmills will likely find themselves in a predicament." Mr. Willison will proceed further inland in order to secure fuller information regarding the country than is now possessed by his department.

DR. MUNHALL addressed large congregations yesterday afternoon and evening. His afternoon subject was on the second coming of Christ, and in the evening he spoke from the story of blind Bartimaeus and the restoration of his sight. This afternoon Dr. Munhall will give a talk on "Acceptable Prayer," and on Friday afternoon an address will be given on how to study and use the Bible. An important phase of these special meetings has been the children's meetings in the various churches. Professor and Mrs. Birch have had these under their care and will conduct such meetings on Thursday and Friday afternoons at 3:30 in the Jamee Bay Methodist church. On Thursday afternoon next at 3 o'clock a meeting will be held for young men only. A confidential talk will be given by the Docter on the besetting sins of young men. Boys under fourteen will not be admitted. Admission will be by ticket, procurable at the preceding meetings of Thursday and Friday. A women's meeting at the same time in the First Presbyterian church for women, conducted by Mrs. Munhall and Mrs. Birch.

VICTORIA is becoming quite metropolitan in the matter of its suburban telegraphic connections. Everyone knows that the Esquimalt branch line opened for business a short time ago by the C. P.R. Telegraph Company, has been commanding its full share of naval and commercial business. It may not be so generally known, however, that between the southern and eastern extremities of the city a second short line service is maintained by what is known as the James Bay and Spring Ridge Local Telegraph Company, with offices in the residences of Mr. Henry Saunders and Mr. R. W. Fawcett, Carr street. Latterly the ground current has proved too much for the successful operation of the line, and last night a meeting of the shareholders of the company was held, at which it was decided to add five cells of battery to meet the difficulty. Mr. Henry Saunders is secretary-treasurer of the company, which with the improvements in the local offices named will soon be in a position to handle all the commercial and press matter offering in a manner thoroughly satisfactory to the patrons of the company.

BLUE RIBBON TEA

Will be found an excellent remedy for sick headache. Carter's Little Liver Pills. Thousands of letters from people who have used them prove this fact. Try them.

Leather Coats with sheep skin lining for Klondike Trade. B Williams & Co.

NOTICE.

THE DAILY COLONIST is for sale at the news stands and on the streets of Vancouver on the arrival of the steamer from Victoria and at the following additional places on the provincial mainland.

NEW WESTMINSTER, D. Lyall & Co
KAMLOOPS, W. T. Slavin, J. A. Halton
MARA, M. Skojeski.
VERNON, Smith Bros.
REVELSTOKE, Batterson & Co., F. B. Wells, Can. Drug and Book Co., C.P.R. station; A. J. Aman, C.P.R. station; McDowell, Atkins, Watson Co., Revelstoke station.
NELSON, A. Purdy, Thomson Stationery Co.
SLOCAN, Slocan News Co.
SANDON, Slocan News Co.
SILVERTON, Silverton News Co.
ROSSLAND, M. W. Simpson.
TRAIL, F. W. Brown.
KASLO, Lemon & Young.
NEW DENVER, C. F. Nelson.

And may also be had from the news agents on all regular C. P. R. trains running out of Vancouver.

THE SEMI-WEEKLY COLONIST leads

A Lucky Convict.

KINGSTON, Feb. 23—(Special)—Wm. Carry, the convict recently shot by a guard while trying to gain his liberty, will recover. His wound is healing rapidly.

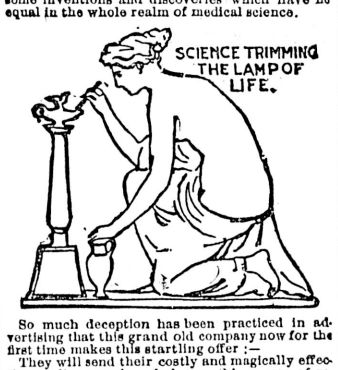
Free Trial To Any Honest Man

The Foremost Medical Company in the World in the Cure of Weak Men Makes this Offer.

HEALTH AND ENERGY ASSURED. HAPPY MARRIAGE, GOOD TEMPER, LONG LIFE.

In all the world to-day—in all the history of the world—no doctor nor institution has treated and restored so many men as has the famed ERIE MEDICAL CO. of Buffalo, N. Y.

This is due to the fact that the company controls some inventions and discoveries which have no equal in the whole realm of medical science.



So much deception has been practiced in advertising that this grand old company now for the first time makes this startling offer:—

They will send their costly and magically effective appliance and a whole month's course of restorative remedies, positively on trial without expense to any honest and reliable man!

Not a dollar need be advanced—not a penny paid—till results are known to and acknowledged by the patient.

The Erie Medical Company's appliance and remedies have been talked about and written about all over the world, till every man has heard of them.

They restore or create strength, vigor, healthy tissue and new life.

They quickly stop drains on the system that sap the energy.

They cure nervousness, despondency and all the effects of evil habits, excesses, overwork, etc.

They give full strength, development and tone to every portion and organ of the body.

Failure is impossible and age is no barrier.

This "Trial without Expense" offer is limited by the company to a short time, and application must be made at once.

No C. O. D. scheme, no bogus philanthropy nor deception, no exposure—a clean business proposition by a company of high financial and professional standing.

Write to the ERIE MEDICAL COMPANY, BUFFALO, N.Y., and refer to seeing the account of their offer in this paper.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE.

I have this day disposed of my entire interest in the cord wood and steam sawing business, also my general teaming business to J. E. Grice who will continue the business at the same stand. While thanking my numerous patrons for their past favors, I would ask for a continuance of the same to Mr. Grice.

fe24 A. C. HOWE.

Victoria, February 23, 1898.

FERRY—NECHACO RIVER.

SEALED proposals, properly endorsed, will be received by the Honourable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works up to noon on Thursday, 17th March next, for the right to maintain and operate a ferry across the Nechaco River at a point where it is crossed by the Telegraph Trail, and within a limit of five miles above and five miles below that place, for a term of five years from the date of the charter.

Proposals must give a description of the size and kind of boat intended to be used, the mode of propelling the same and the various rates of toll proposed to be collected, and give the names of two persons who are willing to execute a bond for $500 00 to secure the faithful carrying out of the contract.

The competition will be on the rate of tolls and the amount of bonus to be paid to the Government annually for the exclusive privilege of operating a ferry. A certified cheque to cover the amount of the first year's bonus must accompany each proposal.

All officers of the government, with their animals and freight, to pass free.

W. S. GORE,
Deputy Commissioner of Lands & Works.
Lands and Works Department,
Victoria, B.C., 22nd February, 1898.

"Laugh and Grow Fat."

VICTORIA THEATRE

TWO NIGHTS ONLY

Friday and Saturday, Feb. 25 and 26.

Hoyt's Theatre Laughing Success

"A Batchelor's Honeymoon"

Funniest of Farce Comedies

A NEW YORK CAST

1365 Long Loud Laughs.

Prices 50, 75 and $1. Seats on sale at Victoria Book and Stationery store, (late Jamieson's.)

MISCELLANEOUS.

ADVERTISING in the heavens last evening; a Crescent was seen there by all bicyclists, reminding them that Crescent bicycles are sky high. Waitt & Co., Agents.

MILKMEN—ATTENTION—I am prepared to immediately enter into contracts to grow for next fall delivery mangel wurzel in quantities of not less than 25 tons delivered on Victoria wharf at $6 per ton. Further information can be obtained from the Brackman & Ker Milling Co., Victoria, or Alex Falk, Ladner, B. C. f19

CLAIRVOYANTS.

MRS RAAB, Clairvoyant and trance medium. 31 View St. f20

MISS HOWES, the greatest living clairvoyant medium; unfailing advice on business, speculation, mining, marriage, courtship, divorces, etc. Learn what the future holds in store for you; have specimens to show of paying groups of mines, all parts British Columbia and United States. Readings $1 and upwards. Hours 9 to 9 p. m. 124 Douglas street. f6

CLAIRVOYANT and psychometric medium, Mrs. Dr. C. C. Chambers, parlor, Brunswick Hotel. fe16

KLONDIKE.

ANY person wishing to send the Victoria-Klondyke map and folder to their friends will please furnish a list of the names and addresses to F. Elworthy, Board of Trade Building and they will be mailed free. no3

HO! FOR KLONDYKE—Specially selected trained Labrador dogs for sale. Apply Dr. Blanchard, Outer wharf, A. R. Baker, 62 Government street, R. Nash, 76 Yates St. f23

DAILY COLONIST, 20 cts. a week, delivered.

Advertisements under the heads of Lost, Found For Sale or To Let and Situations Wanted will be inserted at the rate o one cent a word each insertion. Payment always in advance. No advertisement received for less than twenty five cents.

WANTS.

ADVERTISER wishes to enter barber shop to learn the business. Address S.G.J., Colonist.

EXPERT bookkeeper from Glasgow seeks engagement. Address P., Colonist f24

WANTED—A general servant in small family. Apply 262 Yates St. f24

WANTED—Three girls to work sewing machines. 81 Johnson st.

PARTNER wanted for paying saloon; good opportunity for steady man. For particulars address W.S., Colonist. f24

WANTED—A strong girl to do general housework; one who is used to children preferred. Apply 125 Quadra St.

WANTED—Girl to assist in house work and cook for small family in country; wages $15. Apply Mrs. I., P.O. Box 583. f24

WANTED—An errand boy. Apply, by letter, to C. E. Redfern, 43 Government Street. f24

WANTED—A general servant for family of four; nurse maid kept; must be good plain cook. Address G. S. Colonist office. f22

WANTED—At once; five live, wide awake and rustling young men. F. S. Timberlake, Hotel Victoria, Tuesday. f22

A TEACHER is required for the Qualicum school. Married man or a lady who could live in a house near school preferred. No other house within two miles. Walter Hellier, secretary, Errington, B.C. f19

WANTED—New or second-hand buggy, or a buck-board seated for four; must be guaranteed in good order. Apply W.N., this office. f15

WANTED—10,000 oak staves. Apply 28 Belcher street. fe10

WANTED—A good general servant to go to Alberni. Apply between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. at 29 Pioneer St. fe10

WANTED—To rent for two weeks. No 6 Remington typewriter; must be in good order. Address F. C. Davidge & Co. j30

WANTED—At the highest price paid for second-hand clothing, furniture, stoves, also old copper and brass. 60½ Johnson St. j11

WANTED—A well situated lot on Oak Bay avenue, in exchange for improved city property. A.B C., Colonist. ja1

TEACHER wanted for Hore Public School. Married man who has had experience and who holds not less than a second class grade A certificate preferred; commence work 1st March inst. Salary $55 per month. R. Ryder, Secretary School Board, Hope, B. C., February 8th, 1898. fe11

WANTED—A partner, active, sober, industrious man with $500, for half interest in mining expedition; have new machinery for saving placer gold and ready to start in ten days. Address expedition, this office. fe23

BOY wanted for retail clothing store. Apply in own handwriting; state wages expected Address A.B.C., Colonist office. fe22

FOR SALE.

A FINE-TONED upright cabinet grand piano, little used, for sale cheap; owner having no further use of it. Address W.G., Colonist Office.

COW for sale—will calve to-morrow; very heavy milker; will give five gallons a day; price $45. H. Munday, St. Charles street, Ross Bay.

FOR SALE at half cost, a handsome house and lot near the fountain; owner going to the Klondike. Apply, at once, 62 Fernwood Road.

FOR SALE—A snap; steamer, 36 feet long, 8 feet beam; nearly new engine and boiler; perfect pump and everything in good order; first offer over $150. Apply Steamer, Colonist Office. f24

FOR SALE—A 15-acre farm; good buildings; under cultivation; within 3 miles of the city. For terms apply at 35 Douglas street. f22

FOR SALE—A four-inch tire wagon; cheap, Vancouver Island Produce Society, City Market.

FOR SALE—Two lots running from Rae St. to Churchway, Victoria City. Apply to W. D., Box 614 Victoria. f17

FOR SALE—Three ton of lead and three ton of zinc. Apply at F. Petker, 30 Store st. f9

FOR SALE—A limited number of thoroughly trained Labrador sleigh dogs. Apply or address Victoria Metallurgical Works Co., Fort street. fe10

FOR SALE—Klondyke claims and British Columbia mines, also shares in all the principal mines in British Columbia at lowest quotations. A. W. More & Co, mining brokers, 86 Government street.

FOR SALE—One of the best farms on Vancouver Island, containing over 200 acres, 40 acres under cultivation, 9-roomed house and good farm buildings;; title Crown Grant. Price $5,500. A. W. More & Co., real estate agents, 86 Government street

FOR SALE—5-roomed cottage on Stanley avenue, cost over $2,500, will be sold for $1,600 payable $200 cash, balance to suit purchaser. This is a great bargain. A. W. More & Co, insurance agents, 86 Government street.

HORSE, cart and harness for sale cheap. Address Box 265, City. fe23

NOTICE—A good farm (890) acres for sale on reasonable terms; or to rent. Enquire Joel Broadwell, Salt Spring Island, B.C. f22

FOR SALE—Lot on Quebec street, close to Government buildings. 1 40 acres Yates street, 5 acres Oaklands, and 7 acres in Victoria District, at about 25 per cent. less than assessed value. Owner must sell. Apply Lowenberg Harris & Co. f20

TO LET OR LEASE.

FOR SALE—A carload of horses at Bray's Stables, Johnson St f24

FURNISHED or unfurnished rooms to let. 7 Robert street, Victoria West

FURNISHED housekeeping rooms at Elsmere House, 104 Pandora St. Apply 97 Quadra St. f22

ONE farm, 150 acres, and one 140 acres, to rent at $50 and $25 a year; both near to railway station and schools. Address G.W., Colonist Office.

TO LET—Good country store, near to the city; post office attached; rent and expenses very low; great snap. Full particulars of Ralph Churton, Auctioneer, 70 Douglas St. f24

TO LET—Comfortably furnished rooms with board if required; price moderate. Apply 51, Vancouver street. ja29

TO RENT—A furnished room in the neighborhood of Pemberton road. Address X., Colonist office. no2

TO LET—Two furnished houses over James Bay, one at $30, and the other at $35 per month; two unfurnished cottages on North Chatham street at $5 each; nice cottage at Oak Bay $5; cottage on Princess avenue $6; two cottages on Sayward avenue $5 each. A. W. More & Co, house agents 86 Government street.

EDUCATION AND ART.

PRIVATE instruction in Pitman's Shorthand and in Bookkeeping, Arithmetic and Mathematics. Cases of neglected education receive special attention. James Kaye, 111 Fisgard street. fe16

THE Victoria College of Arts and Science will be opened on or about 1st day of April, in Victoria, under the direction of Professor William P. Turner, a graduate of Onslow College, and South Kensington School of Arts, London, England, excelling in all branches of Drawing, Painting, Carving, etc., at his studio where thoroughly practical instruction can be had at a very moderate tuition. Those desiring a course of instruction will please interview or correspond with the Professor at once. WM. P. TURNER, 320 Homer St., Vancouver, B.C. ja29

LOST OR FOUND.

FOUND—A young cow on the Boleskin Road; owner can have the same by paying expenses. Apply H. Maxwell milkman.

FOUND—Dog. Owner can have same by proving ownership and paying expenses. Apply S, this office. f22

Notice to Taxpayers.

Electoral Districts of Victoria City, South Victoria and Esquimalt, and the Land Districts, of Rupert, Sayward, Quatsino Coast, Queen Charlotte Islands, North Saanich, and parts of Barclay and Clayoquot.

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with the Statutes, that Revenue Tax and all taxes levied under the "Assessment Act," are now due for the year 1898. Assessed taxes are collectible at the following rates, viz—

If paid on or before June, 1898:—

Three-fifths of one per cent. on real property.

Two and one-half per cent. on assessed value of wild land.

One-half of one per cent. on personal property.

On so much of the income of any person as exceeds one thousand dollars the following rates namely, upon such excess of income, when the same is not more than ten thousand dollars, one per cent; when such excess is over ten thousand dollars, and not more than twenty thousand dollars, one and one-quarter of one per cent. when such excess is over twenty thousand dollars, one and one-half of one per cent.

If paid on or after the 1st July, 1898.

Four-fifths of one per cent. on real property.

Three per cent. on the assessed value of wild land.

Three-fourths of one per cent. on personal property.

On so much of the income of any person as exceeds one thousand dollars the following rates, namely, upon such excess, when the same is not more than ten thousand dollars, one and one quarter of one per cent; when such excess is over ten thousand dollars and not more than twenty thousand dollars, one and one-half of one per cent.; when such excess is over twenty thousand dollars, one and three-fourths of one per cent.

Revenue Tax, $3 00 per capita (Victoria City excepted).

Victoria, B. C., January 6th, 1898.

C. BOOTH,
Assessor and Collector.

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FOR SALE.

TENDERS

Sealed, endorsed "Tender for Machinery" and addressed to the undersigned will be received up to 4 o'clock, on Monday the 28th instant, for the purchase of the following plant at present lying in the old electric lighting station, on Yates street, viz:—

One Slide Valve Engine Complete, Cylinder 14 inch x 18 inch.

One Slide Valve Engine Complete, Cylinder 10 inch x 12 inch.

35 feet of Turned Shafting, 3⅞ inch diameter, together with 4 Bearings and Pullies.

174 feet of Leather Belting.

256 feet of Rubber Belting.

Each tender must be accompanied with a certified cheque made payable to the City Treasurer to the amount of 10 per cent, of the price tendered, balance to be paid on acceptance of tender.

Cheques will be returned to unsuccessful tenderers.

The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

WM. W. NORTHCOTT,
Purchasing Agent for the Corporation.
City Hall, Victoria, B.C., Feb. 10, 1898. fe11

ESQUIMALT & NANAIMO RAILWAY CO.

NOTICE.

To prospectors, miners and holders of mineral claims on unoccupied land within the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway Company land grant *FOR ONE YEAR ONLY* from the date of this notice the Railway Company will sell their rights to all minerals (excepting coal and iron) and the surface rights of mineral claims, at the price of $5.00 per acre. Such sales will be subject to all other reservations contained in conveyances from the Company prior to this date. One half of the purchase money to be paid ten days after recording the claim with the Government, and a duplicate of the record to be filed in the Company's Land Office, Victoria, on payment of the first instalment. The balance of the purchase money to be paid in two equal instalments, at the expiration of six and twelve months without interest. Present holders of minerals claims who have not previously made other arrangements with the Company for acquiring surface and mineral rights, are hereby notified to at once make the first payment on their claims, as otherwise they will be deemed and treated as trespassers.

LEONARD H. SOLLY,
Land Commissioner.
Victoria, B.C., June 1st, 1897. je5

REDUCED RATES TO ALL POINTS EAST VIA THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RY

For full information apply to

GEO. L. COURTNEY,

Agent, Victoria.

BOATS

At Lake Bennett

The undersigned Owners of timber limits and general store at Lake Bennett, British Columbia, (mills, steamers and horse tramway now under construction) will during the coming season, have boats of all sizes, and lumber in any quantity for sale and at reasonable prices. For further particulars apply to

Munn, Holland & Co., AGENTS
Victoria-Yukon Trading Company Ltd.

A CLOSE OBSERVER.

THE YANKEE DRUMMER'S STRAIGHT TALK ABOUT EUROPE.

Information About London, Paris and Germany From a Big, Red Haired Man—He Says He Kept His Eyes Open—Do You Think He Did?

"Greater New York is going to be bigger than London," remarked the little man in the cross seat with an air of wisdom.

"No, siree, it isn't!" said the big red haired man who sat alongside of him as he dusted an invisible speck from his new coat. "It won't be a marker to London. I've been there."

"What—to London?"

"Sure, I have. It was three years ago, and I know what I'm talking about. Now, it's a strange fact that there are some fellows in our business that'll travel all around and never see anything. I always keep my eyes open in strange towns. It gives a man things to talk about and it broadens him."

The little man began to eye his companion with new interest. He pondered his sage words for a minute and said:

"How'd it happen?"

"Why, it came about just after I left you at St. Louis. I returned to New York and brought back with me $60,000 worth of orders. That pleased the firm, I can tell you, for no one was doing any business in those days. Our foreign buyer was ill and as I was pretty well posted on what the trade wanted the firm said to me:

"'Here, Jones, you go over to the continent and do our buying this winter.' Did I go? Well, does a duck swim?"

"Where did you go?" asked the little man.

"London, Paris and Germ'ny."

"Say, what kind of a town is London anyway? I've always wanted to know."

"Well, I'll tell you on the level. It's a bum, two for a cent place. It's no good, and that's straight. I've been there. Don't you let anybody fool you about it. You can read all of this jubilee stuff you want, and if any one tells you London is any good you just tell him that Jones said it was on the bum."

The little man's face brightened up, evidently from the delight of getting authoritative statements first hand, and, with the air of a man who wanted to improve each shining hour and add to his stock of knowledge, he said:

"Tell me about London. Is it anything like New York?"

"Not a bit. I know all about the town. It's 25 years behind the times. It's like New York was before the war. Why, honest, now, there are whole rows of houses that look like they were falling down. The streets are dirty and crooked, and all houses are built flush with the street. I couldn't do any business there at all. They are a saving lot, those English."

"Did you see any fine buildings?"

"Not one, except a church or two. Now what I'm telling you is honest. There isn't a building in the whole town worth seeing, and if there was you couldn't see it half the time. It's a dirty, foggy place and not fit to live in. It's an old apple woman of a town. Everybody in London drinks ale or gin. I'm telling you straight, it's on the bum."

"Paris is bigger, isn't it?"

"Well—er—no. Not exactly bigger. London is a whaling big place and don't you make any mistake. I rode right straight ahead one day from 7 in the morning until 2 in the afternoon, and I was in London all the time. Paris is different. I got some great bargains there."

"Did you take your wife with you to Paris?"

"No; she staid in New York because I was going on business. I can tell you all about Paris, and you can rely on it, for I've been there."

The little man's eyes brightened in anticipation, and he said:

"Tell me all about it—everything."

"Paris," said the big man in the tone of a platform orator, "is all right, and you can say that I said so. You can live there and see the town on 16 francs a day—that is $2—good living too. Sleeping costs you 40 cents a night, and you get a room that would cost you $1.50 in New York. Interpreter? Now, that's nonsense that you've read. There were four of us in the party, and when we started out we hired an interpreter. When we'd taken about two of them French drinks—cognacks they call 'em, sort of brandies they are—we gave the interpreter the grand bounce and we didn't see him again. Three of those cognacks will make you talk French like a native. Fact, because I tried it. Four of them will make you feel as if you had taken a $10,000 order for goods that the firm wanted to get rid of."

"Did you see any interesting buildings or places?"

"Saw the whole outfit, and it's no great shakes. The Paris boulevards are pretty fine, though."

The little man looked disappointed at his friend's meagerness of detail. Then he remembered Germany, and he asked his friend what he had seen there.

"Now you are getting right into my stamping ground," said the big man. "Germany beats them all. I went to Berlin, and, say, I bought a line of satinets there that netted the firm $70,000. Now, what do you think of that? Was not that a good stroke? Oh, I tell you Germany is my stamping ground!"

"What interested you there?"

"Why, I saw everything, and how the Germans drink beer! If I hadn't been afraid that those satinets would go out of fashion, I'd have made a bigger stroke on them. Now, don't you let any one fool you about those places. Just come to me and I'll put you straight. I tell you I believe in traveling with my eyes open. What's the good of traveling if you don't learn something? I'll be out on the road in a month, and perhaps I'll run across you. Here's my station. Goodby, old man."—New York Sun.

AN EVERYDAY HEROINE.

The Country Maiden, the Wicked Stage Company and the Tailor Made Girl.

Four reckless persons had clambered into the stage, an old man, a middle aged woman, a young man and a tailor made girl. At Fiftieth street a dressmaker's little girl struggled in with a huge box. Town life was evidently new to her. Her rosy cheeks announced country air to the least observing. She held her money in her hand.

Looking dubiously about, she finally spied the money box and dropped in the coin. After this she waited expectantly. Nothing occurred, however, and she began flushing and paling with nervous indecision. At last she resolutely stood up, attracted the driver's attention and called to him:

"How do I get my change? I put a quarter in the box," she asked.

"Yese oughter a-handed it up," said the man. "Yese can't git it now."

"But it's all I have," protested the girl.

"Git it off the new passengers," yelled the driver and turned away.

It was all the money she had, but how could she "get it off the new passengers?" Every one in the stage had become interested, but no one volunteered any advice. Two tears rolled down the rosy cheeks.

The stage stopped, and an old lady scrambled in. As she took out her money, a 5 cent piece, the tailor made girl leaned over to her.

"Will you give me that for this little girl?" she asked. "She dropped in a quarter by mistake, and the driver said the new passengers might make it up to her."

The old lady beamingly handed over the nickel. She felt that the stage company was being rigidly but justly dealt with at last.

Then a man got in. This was harder for the tailor made girl, but she made the request again and handed a second fare to the grateful young person from the country. The whole stageful was now interested watching for a new passenger as a spider watches for a fly. A woman waved desperately from down a side street for the stage to wait for her, but the driver passed on unheeding and exclamations of disgust arose. Another corner, and another smartly dressed girl got in. The new arrival did not seem at first to understand the request, and, flushing, the tailor made girl repeated it and secured one more of the precious 5 cent pieces.

The little girl had reached her destination.

"I am so much obliged," she murmured to the heroic maiden who had been taking up fares in her behalf. "I ought to get out here, so I guess I'll let the other go."

"No, no, you must not," said the fair conductor, opening her purse. "Take this and I can get it from the next one who gets in."

"You are awfully good," murmured the unsuspicious little one with new tears in her eyes, and one of the men took the big box and handed it down to her when she had stepped out.

The stage rattled on and the tailor made girl looked unconcernedly out of the window. The next passenger was allowed to drop his fare unmolested into the box, unconscious of the little comedy that had brought the others together in a common interest for a moment, and the stage company was still ahead of the game.—New York Sun.

AN EVENING WITH DICKENS.

How the Great Author and His People Can Be Studied by Literary Clubs.

"For an evening with Dickens," advises Fannie Mack Lothrop, writing of "Evenings For Literary Clubs" in The Ladies' Home Journal, "one of the items of the programme might be a sketch of his life condensed into about 200 words. The Dickens drawings by Charles Dana Gibson might be cut from The Journal and hung up before the audience and the story of each character and incident illustrated told. The trial from 'Pickwick' could be arranged for individual reading or for a number to take part in it. A bright paper may be written on 'The People of Dickens' World.' In Dickens' works there are 1,550 separate characters, enough to people a whole village.

"Some of Dickens' poems have been set to music—notably 'The Ivy Green'—and would make a pleasant feature. Anecdotes of Dickens might be given by ten or a dozen members, each giving one. These might be interspersed through the programme. A member with any cleverness in photography might make a series of Dickens' lantern slides from pictures in standard editions of the novelist's works and give a magic lantern entertainment. The death of Paul Dombey would make a pathetic reading from 'Dombey and Son.' Mrs. Jarley's waxworks, as described in 'The Old Curiosity Shop,' could be given with some of the members grouped as characters in the famous show and designated, as Little Nell did, with a pointer."

The "Gallery Gods."

The frequenters of the lofty gallery of any theater have a good deal to do with the making or marring of any new play. Yet that is not how they acquire their title of "gods." As a matter of fact, the origin of the expression is this: Years ago Drury Lane theater had its ceiling painted to resemble a blue sky with clouds, among which white Cupids were flying in every direction. This ceiling extended over the gallery, whose occupants thus appeared to be very near heaven. Hence the expression arose of "gallery gods."—London Answers.

All Quiet There.

"I'm glad to know," remarked Miss Cayenne, "that Mr. and Mrs. Jinkles are living far more happily than they were formerly."

"Indeed?"

"Yes. I am informed that they have not spoken to each other for weeks."—London Tit-Bits.

HE NEVER LOVED A LORD.

But His Five Girls Married Titles, All the Same.

It was evident that he was not only pretty well satisfied with himself, but that he didn't care who knew it.

"Five daughters," he said, "and every one of them married to a title. That's a pretty good record for a man who wouldn't be considered rich enough to buy more than one high grade title."

"I don't see how you did it," suggested the man who knew nothing except that the husband with a title was ordinarily quoted at a pretty stiff figure.

"Oh, it's easy when you know how," replied the self satisfied man. "So far as I am concerned I would have preferred to marry the girls to enterprising young Americans with no titles, but their mother insisted upon getting them something more fashionable, and when their mother insists I have to hump myself and see that things come the way she wants them. I confess it was something of a problem at first, but when I got it figured out in my mind and began playing the cards it was so easy that I was inclined to be ashamed of myself for not trying something harder."

The self satisfied man stopped long enough for the listener to suggest that he would be glad to hear the story, and then, in view of the fact that they were all married and publicity could do no harm, he told it.

"I took all my available assets," he explained, "and made them a dowry for my eldest daughter. Naturally there was a rush for her, and she was able to take her pick of five. I rushed matters as much as possible, got her married, gave up the dowry I had promised, and then steered her titled husband against the Stock Exchange, where I gave him some bad tips, took his trades myself through a broker and won back all the dowry and part of his ancestral estates. Then I gave the dowry to my second daughter, got her married and played the same game with her husband. I worked the scheme right through the family, until I finally married my youngest to a baronet yesterday. I got them to postpone their wedding trip for a few days, so as to give me a chance to win back the dowry before they had spent any of it, and by day after tomorrow I expect to be on Easy street again, without a care in the world. If girls must have titles, why, I am in favor of giving them to them, but I don't believe in contributing large fortunes to the support of the tottering monarchies of the old world, and, what's more, I don't intend to do it."—Chicago Post.

ARMORED PLANTS.

Thorns and Spies That Protect Plants From Their Enemies.

"Plants and Their Enemies" is the title of an article by Thomas H. Kearney, Jr., in St. Nicholas. Mr. Kearney says:

There are a thousand things that threaten the well being and even the life of every tree and shrub and lowly herb. Too much heat or too little works great harm to plants. Then there are all manner of wasting diseases caused by other tiny plants called fungi and bacteria. Many large animals, as horses and cows and sheep, live by grazing the herbage and grass or browsing the foliage of trees and shrubs. Of course they greatly injure the plants they feed upon and therefore many plants are in one way or another protected against such attacks.

Did you ever stop to think why thistles are so well armed with sharp prickles or why the ugly roadside nettles are furnished with stinging hairs? Notice cattle grazing in a field where thistles or nettles grow. See how careful they are to let those disagreeable plants alone. That is the reason for the stings and the spines. See this honey locust tree bristling with its horrid array of three pointed thorns. What animal is brave enough to try to rob it of its leaves or great pods? Hawthorns, too, and rosebushes and blackberry briers all have their sharp little swords and daggers to defend themselves against browsing animals.

Out on the wide, hot deserts of Arizona and New Mexico those odd plants, the cactuses, grow in great numbers. Some of them take strange shapes—tall, fluted columns, branching candelabra or mere round balls, like the melon cactus. They are almost the only plants that grow in some parts of that country, and there is always plenty of sap inside their tough skins. To the hungry and thirsty creatures that roam those dreary wastes in search of food and water they are very tempting. Were they not in some way protected these cactuses would soon be entirely destroyed, but nature has made them to be like strong forts or great armored battleships among plants. They are guarded by all sorts of sharp spines and prickles and fine hairs that burn when they get into the flesh.

Negation.

This was overheard on the Bangor boat:

First Woman—If I married a man what drinked and I knowed he drinked when I married him I wouldn't never say nothing about it.

Second Woman—I wouldn't neither. He's got so bad now that she don't never expect nothing different.—Shoe and Leather Reporter.

There are more ants to the square mile in Florida than in any other country in the world. There are ants that measure more than half an inch in length, and then there are ants so small that they can scarcely be seen to move with the unaided eye.

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	Daily	Sat'day
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Ar. Nanaimo	12:20	6:16
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	Daily	Sat'day
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AGRICULTURAL INTERESTS.

We feel confident that any plan which the government may submit to the house for the advancement of the agricultural interests of British Columbia will be received with as careful consideration by the members as the merits of such an important department of industry deserve. Vast as are our mineral possibilities, they must not be allowed to obscure, even temporarily, the unquestionably great prosperity for this province which will result from the full utilization of its adaptation to the various departments of husbandry.

The wealth taken out of a country is valuable to it chiefly because of what is expended within the country in exploiting it. We may be able to present a dazzling array of statistics showing our annual output of gold and silver, but unless the province is able to produce within itself the greater part of the food products consumed in mining these metals, it stands in the position of a middleman, doing business on a small commission. Its transportation lines and its merchants handle the goods consumed by the miners, and the former carry away the bullion, but the great profit on the whole transaction is secured by the people elsewhere who produce the food, and the outside capitalists who own the mines. If we could produce in British Columbia all the food that will be used in this province alone, not to speak of the Yukon, not only would agriculture be in an exceedingly healthy and prosperous condition, but every department of trade and industry would be vastly stimulated. Besides this an enormous amount of permanent wealth would be added to the province in the shape of improved farms, buildings, live stock, and so on.

Our own view of the case, and it is not a hastily formed conclusion, is that there is no one line connected with agriculture which it will pay the province as well to stimulate as dairying. One of the leading authorities in the world on such subjects, Professor Robertson, has said that judicious dairy farming means success in all lines of agriculture. Dr. Twitchell, one of the most prominent authorities on matters relating to farming in the United States, has gone on record with the same opinion. The reason assigned by both of them is that when once a farmer begins to realize the profit there is in carrying on his operations in a business-like way he will find many avenues of success which he never dreamed existed. The direct advantage of successful dairying is very great, but it is not equal to those benefits which are indirect.

Holding these views it was with great satisfaction that we read what the speech from the throne had to say about dairy farming. We believe a wise policy for the promotion of this industry means not only that we will have more and better butter and cheese produced in the province, but that we will have better live stock and more of it, including better horses and better hogs. One of the most interesting papers that ever came under our notice was one dealing with horse-raising as an adjunct to dairy farming. Poultry raising and dairying go together in the most natural way; so also do hog raising and dairying. Indeed it is impossible to suggest any line of husbandry that is not stimulated and made more profitable by dairy farming wisely conducted. It will pay the province well to spend money liberally in order to encourage this industry, provided, of course, that the money is laid out judiciously. We have one of the best countries in the world by nature for dairying, and when this fact has been fully realized and acted upon we will be in the enjoyment of unprecedented prosperity.

THE NAVIGATION OF THE YUKON.

We again draw attention to the necessity for altering the coasting regulations so far as they apply to the navigation of the Yukon. Under these as they now stand, Canadian goods must be sent up that river in Canadian bottoms, and from present indications there will be a very limited number of these available. It is to be remembered that the conditions surrounding the navigation of the Yukon are exceptional. The river is only open for a very short time each year, and persons having goods to move must therefore seize upon every opportunity of doing so that offers. Hence, if it is to be that only Canadian vessels can carry Canadian goods, the purchasers of the latter, to be carried by the water route, will be very seriously handicapped. On the Coast there is likely to be sufficient available tonnage to carry everything that offers. At least there will be no prohibition of Canadian business by the enforcement of the regulation; but it will be quite otherwise on the Yukon.

We feel sure that when this matter is brought to the attention of the Dominion government, they will see how important it is to except the Yukon from the operation of the regulation governing the coasting trade. Our representatives in parliament ought to take this matter up without delay. If they feel that their hands will be strengthened by a resolution of the Board of Trade, we are quite sure that one will be passed on very short notice.

Our Ottawa despatch, received since the aforegoing was in type, shows that the change above suggested has been made, but we print the article without alteration so as to show the reason why the action referred to has been taken.

CANADA FOR CANADIANS.

We have very much satisfaction in reproducing the following from the Toronto Globe. It is satisfactory because it has the right ring about it, and also because it shows that the most influential organ of the Laurier ministry recognizes the duty of the government in the premises:

Canada cannot be closed out of her own territory. We believe we speak the mind of every section of the country when we express the determination not to be tricked or intimidated out of our natural rights in that region. If the United States congress thinks proper to break a treaty in order to back up the game of Tacoma and Seattle, our government will have to proceed forthwith to meet the situation. It will necessitate more extensive railway building than was at first contemplated, and our American friends can be assured that we will not be balked in our resolution to obtain free and unhampered communication with our possessions in that distant part of the Dominion. If the most absolute guarantees are not obtained on this point no time should be lost. The great rush will be during this coming year. Canadian merchants should get a big share of the harvest, and the administration will find the country at its back in any measure calculated to ensure this.

We feel very safe in saying that if the Dominion government will adopt a vigorous policy in order to secure at the earliest possible day a railway from Telegraph Creek to the coast of British Columbia the people of this province will to a man support it, if its conditions are at all reasonable. It would perhaps be better if the government could be induced to take this particular piece of road in hand and build it as a government work, so as to avoid any question as to the amount of subsidy to be given; but this seems impossible. The government does not appear inclined to embark upon the policy of governmental railway construction in the Northwest, and we do not know that we are disposed to argue in favor of it. At least for the present we must deal with things as they are. It is of no use to discuss the construction of a railway to the Yukon by the government, because there is not the least likelihood of such a line of action being decided upon. If there had been any possibility of it, the assurance given by Sir Charles Tupper that he would depart from his usual policy and favor a goverment line would have led the government to have brought down a measure to build the road at the public expense. We are satisfied that we must dismiss the idea of government construction and look to the work being done by private contractors. This being the case, the question of subsidy at once arises, and as time is such a very essential part of the whole arrangement, the subsidy must be liberal. It costs very much more to build a railway quickly than it does to do so at leisure.

There is one thing to be said in favor of such a subsidy as that promised to Messrs. Mackenzie & Mann, namely, that in such a case it is the contractors who take all risks in regard to the permanency of the Northwest gold fields. The government is not out a dollar. They give up land which may of course be exceedingly valuable, but the contractors take the chance of the bottom falling out of the whole Yukon, figuratively speaking. It might be difficult for a government to justify a very large expenditure of money on the construction of a railway to a country, which, however promising it appears to be, has yet to be proved a permanent source of business. We regard the government as fortunate in having found capitalists willing to take the risk. It appears that since the terms of the contract were announced there are others who are willing to discount the future as the gentlemen above named have done. We all remember that this was the case when the contract was awarded to Messrs. Stephen and Smith and their associates for the construction of the Canadian Pacific. At once there came to the front men who were prepared to build the road for less. They could probably have done so; but a government cannot always afford to wait for people of this class to come along with their offers. We do not say that better terms might not have been got than those agreed upon with Messrs. Mackenzie and Mann, but we do say that Canada can afford to give a large area of unproductive land for the purpose of having an all-Canadian road built into her northern gold fields.

THE UNITED STATES AND SPAIN.

It is very probable that the cause of the catastrophe which destroyed the battleship Maine will remain a mystery. The terrific force of the explosion appears to have so completely shattered the vessel that it will be little else than guess work attempting to decide whence the destroying blow came. This is very unfortunate, because it will leave the mind of the people of the United States in a disturbed condition. Already there are signs that little will be necessary to precipitate a crisis. Influential papers treat the matter thus: They say that threats were made as to what would be done in case a United States war vessel sailed into Havana harbor. They add that the sailors from the Maine were constantly insulted when ashore, and every disrespect was shown to the flag of their country. They speak of the very great precautions taken on board every man-of-war to prevent accidents of this kind, and they have unearthed a number of so-called experts who insist that accident is out of the question. This sort of thing, added to the temper in which the people of the United States have for some time been towards Cuba, will produce a condition of things very much like that existing in the magazine of the ill-fated vessel, and an explosion may occur at any moment.

It is evident that unless it can be made to appear positively that the explosion was the result of some force acting from the outside, Spain cannot accept any responsibility for it, and nothing that she can do will tend to ameliorate the temper of the people of the United States towards her, and the two countries may be forced into war merely as a consequence of harsh language towards each other. The De Lome incident still rankles in the American mind. Spain has apologized for it, and therefore in a diplomatic sense the incident is at an end, but the papers are still talking about it. Congress has so far been remarkably reticent, but this happy condition of things is not likely to continue for any length of time. We regard the situation as very serious.

MR. KENNEDY'S proposed amendment to the address was a somewhat irregular way of bringing up the question on which he wished to express an opinion. The best way to call attention to matters of that kind is by a motion to adjourn the house.

THE Ontario elections are the engrossing subject among politicians just now. The campaign has been vigorously prosecuted on both sides, but the Liberals have many advantages in their favor. The chief cry of the Conservatives has been that "it is time for a change." This may prove a taking shibboleth, but it is a great risk to trust a campaign chiefly to such an issue.

IN VIEW of the fact that the Grand Trunk has been advertising Seattle as the great Yukon outfitting point, we do not think that Victoria will waste much sympathy on it because of its present fight with the C. P. R.

WE fancy there is some error in the statement printed this morning from Ottawa in regard to the mileage of dredgeable rivers in the Yukon district.

WE hope our Ottawa correspondent is right in his anticipation that the royalty on Yukon gold will be greatly reduced.

BY WAY OF VARIETY.

She—Mr. Brown does not pay his wife much attention.

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Perry Patetic—All these great men is just a bit nutty some way.

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A teacher had told a class of juvenile pupils that Milton the poet was blind. The next day she asked if any of them could remember what Milton's greatest affliction was. "Yes'm," replied one little fellow, "he was a poet."

A Kansas man who was married recently has relatives in St. Louis named Damm. At the wedding, among the congratulatory missives read, was a telegram from St. Louis, saying: "Accept the congratulations of the whole Damm family."

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THE annual general meeting of the members of the Victoria lawn tennis club will be held on Wednesday, March 2, in the Driard hotel at 8:30 p.m. The chief business will be to hear the report of the secretary and treasurer, to approve the balance sheet and elect officers.

THE members of the city council meet this evening in the committee room at the city hall to consider proposed amendments to the Municipal Clauses Act. These amendments are really of a technical nature, no radical changes being proposed.

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ALTHOUGH every steamer arriving at the wharves brings large additions to Victoria's transient population there is not the slightest trouble on the part of hotels accommodating every one with first class quarters. At the Dominion hotel for instance, although no less than 157 were yesteyday to be found within the hospitable walls of that well known hostlery, the genial proprietor has room for more. The large addition which has recently been erected is now nearly ready for occupancy, and everybody applying for rooms can be made happy. In fact every hotel in town has made extra provisions for the stranger within our gates—the Wilson annex being one of the the latest. This latter is the neat fire proof building just across Yates street from the main hotel and adjoining the Vancouver house. The just opened Dawson is now another applicant for public patronage, and here will also be found ample first class accommodation for a very large number of guests.

LAWRENCE MOONEY the incorrigible is once more locked up. It is only three weeks since he regained his liberty after a term for vagrancy, and indeed he feels very much more comfortable in jail than free. He makes a model and obedient prisoner and works away as happily as possible when deprived of freedom, but he says plainly that he will not work when left to shift for himself. Instead he prefers to steal, and in consequence as soon almost as he finishes one term of imprisonment he is again in the clutches of the law. There are four charges of stealing against him this time. One is for stealing a brand new pair of blankets from the bedroom of a house on Yates street; then he stripped a laundry line of some of the linen belonging to one of the members of the legislature; next he walked into Wah Hing's place and appropriated the Chinaman's best pair of trousers, and as a finisher he stole a butcher knife from Ah Benn. All these together are likely to give Mooney a nice little retirement in the provincial jail, if they are proved.

A LETTER just received from Dawson City from Stanley Cameron, of Victoria, who with his father has been in the Yukon since last summer, states that the cold weather is by no means unpleasant. Mr. Whitlaw, formerly of Victoria, has located a couple of quartz claims, which he has bonded for $5,000, an evidence that quartz mining is attracting a good deal of attention as well as does the placer ground in the Yukon. Up in Dawson City, if a man rose with the sun just now he would get up about noon and at half-past two he would find it sundown, so the days are fairly short. David Spencer and Mr. John Cameron are partners in a claim on Moose Horn creek, and Mr. Spencer was offered $2,000 for a quartz claim he has on All Gold. Young Cameron is in the swim, too, for he has just bonded a claim on Moose Horn for $2,000. Bert Shotbolt, of Victoria, is doing well, the letter states, on a lay on No. 4 Bonanza, the dirt going 75 cents to the pan. People are stampeding to new creeks every day. There is a good deal of sickness in the Golden City, for forty patients were laid up in hospital at the time of writing.

MR. ELMER F. CASSELL, general agent of the Dyea-Klondike Transportation Co. was in the city yesterday. Mr. Cassell was painfully injured during the stormy passage of the Elder, sustaining a serious injury to his knee. The company which he represents have recently completed an extensive wharf and warehouse at Dyea, and are also engaged in the transport of goods over the Dyea pass. The wharf is well sheltered, with a depth of thirty feet of water at its face at the lowest stage of the tide, while the warehouse has a capacity of 2,000 tons. Hitherto it has been necessary to lighter all freight from steamers or from Skagway, but with the facilities now provided by the Dyea company this expensive operation is rendered unnecessary. The United States relief expedition landed with 80 men and 200 tons of supplies, and were in camp five miles out ten hours after docking. The company have also erected a hotel for lodging and dining 200 people, while there is an excellent camping ground for those who desire to go under canvas. There is also an abundant supply of pure water at Dyea, a fact of importance, when it is considered that the Dyea and Skagway rivers are filled with the bodies of dead horses.

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Amendments Offered But Promptly Negatived—Expediency of the Mortgage Tax.

The speech from the throne was finally disposed of in the legislature yesterday, only three of the paragraphs of the address in reply being opened to discussion by proposed amendments. These in turn were overwhelmingly negatived, and the government's resolution was eventually passed as presented. Consideration was then given to Mr. Cotton's anti-mortgage tax resolution, upon which the most interesting debate of the day arose, being adjourned on the presentation by Major Mutter of an amendment, the relevancy of which is challenged by the senior member for Vancouver City. Yesterday's proceedings were introduced with prayers by Rev. A. B. Winchester.

Mr. Sword (Dewdney) resumed the debate on the third section of the resolution in reply to the address, which refers with gratification to the increased revenue of the province and the greater development of its resources. Turning to the public accounts as presented, the member for Dewdney spoke of the increase in the receipts over last year as not being more than might have been expected, considering that some of the old arrears were probably included in the amounts. He remarked that he would like to call the finance minister's attention to the fact that the accounts as kept made no distinction between the arrears and the year's revenue proper, and he hoped that the Provincial Secretary would consult with the house before repeating the muddle he had already made of the regulations under the Water Clauses act.

Mr. Kellie (North West Kootenay) could not see that it was a source of gratification to the province that only $200,000 had been spent in West Kootenay when that district had to pay $350,000 to the revenue. The member for Lillooet (Mr. Stoddart) had complimented the government on building railroads, but not one dollar had the government expended for railways in his (Mr. Kellie's) district. True they had guaranteed the bonds on the Nakusp & Slocan, but that was not the same as giving $750,000 to the E. & N. railway. (Cries of No! No!) Well, it was the Dominion government gave the money to the province to make over to the railway. He took exception to the $5 mining license paid by miners, and claimed this was unfair, as the farmers in their districts should be just as properly called upon to pay a $5 tax. Then he objected to the taxation of $100 on mining companies. How would the Premier like to have to pay a tax of $100 before he could sell goods in his store.

Hon. Mr. Turner—I pay $300 for a license.

Mr. Kellie maintained that the government should be ashamed of itself, instead of calling that kind of revenue a source of gratification.

The clause, after some further debate, was passed, an amendment for its elimination, proposed by Mr. Kellie and Mr. Humes, being rejected on the following division:

Yeas—Hume, Forster, Macpherson, Kidd, Vedder, Graham and Kellie—7.

Nays—Kennedy, Huff, Williams, Semlin, Cotton, Smith, Mutter, Baker, Turner, Martin, Rithet, Adams, Booth, Stoddart, Walkem, Pooley, Eberts, Bryden, Rogers, Hunter, Braden and McGregor—22.

No further discussion arose until clause 8 was reached of the resolution in reply, this section foreshadowing the redistribution of the electoral districts of the province. Upon this,

Mr. Semlin thought that it would be well not to increase the number of representatives in the house, while providing for a fairer distribution according to population. He regretted that the government was still temporizing in the redistribution matter, and in concluding his remarks proposed as an amendment to add as a rider to the clause, "and we trust that such measure will rectify existing irregularities in the representation without increasing the present number of members and will provide for equal representation to constituencies similarly situated."

The senior member for Vancouver, Mr. Williams, seconded the amendment.

Hon. Mr. Turner replying to the observations of the opposition leader stated that the government would give the redistribution measure most careful consideration, so as to ensure just representationin all parts of the province. He could not agree with members opposite that the present should be a final redistribution. He had great hopes in British Columbia, and should be sorry go think that the province had ceased its trowth. It was very apparent that the country was progressing more rapidly now than in 20 years past, and that therefore the electoral districts must be subject to rearrangement a few years hence. Yet the opposition asked that a final redistribution should be made at the present time. The last redistribution measure had been just and fair to the province under the conditions prevailing at the time of its enactment, and this session's measure would be found even improving on this past legislation.

Mr. Forster asserted that it was not a final but a just redistribution that the opposition asked for—and now the Premier had said in effect that so long as population was increasing a fair measure of redistribution would be withheld. As to the last redistribution measure, he maintained that it had been eminently unfair, particularly as it gave two members to Esquimalt with its four hundred voters, and but one to the Delta with its electorate of eleven hundred.

Hon. Mr. Turner corrected the last speaker, who had either misunderstood or was purposely misquoting him. He had not said that the government would not give a fair redistribution at the present time—quite the contrary—but that a final redistribution just now was impossible.

Mr. Booth took exception to the assumption that any measure would be submitted to the house that would be unjust, and held that the amendment proposed was out of order as disrespectful to the Crown.

Mr. Speaker held that the amendment was neither disrespectful nor irrelevant, and

Mr. Sword contended that the last measure of redistribution had been unjust, and the house in consequence had a right to ask for assurance that the present measure would be more satisfactory before passing the clause under consideration.

Dr. Walkem took the point of order that notice should have been given of such an amendment, quoting May (page 171) in support of his position. The discussion was immediately diverted to the point of order, in answer to which Mr. Smith (West Lillooet) referred to the ninth edition of May (page 223), and Mr. Kellie (North West Kootenay) proposed a further 48-hour adjournment of the debate in order that members might have time to consider and introduce amendments.

In reply to Dr. Walkem, Mr. Speaker quoted May's Practice (pages 275, 236 and 276), ruling that the objection taken should not be sustained.

No further debate arising on the amendment, it was put to vote and negatived, the section passing as originally framed on the following division:

Yeas: Sword, Kennedy, Hume, Forster, Macpherson, Kidd, Vedder, Williams, Semlin, Cotton, Graham, and Kellie—12.

Nays: Huff, Smith, Helmcken, Baker, Turner, Martin, Rithet, Adams, Booth, Stoddard, Walkem, Pooley, Eberts, Bryden, Rogers, Hunter, Braden, and McGregor—18.

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Section 12—"That it is pleasant to hear that the timber industry has shown marked improvement during the year"—being reached,

Mr. Kennedy moved, seconded by Mr. Kidd, to add to the clause: "And we trust that for the benefit of the province, and all concerned in the lumber business, some measure providing for log-scaling by the government will be laid before us."

The mover briefly explained the scope and object of his resolution, maintaining that the log-scaling legislation of a few years ago had been in the proper direction, and should have been continued in force. It was on the right lines, just and fair to all parties, and approved by all who wished to deal honestly in the matter of scaling.

Dr. Walkem held that the parties chiefly interested had not expressed a desire for the continuation of the government scaling of logs; that in fact this was both expensive and at the same time unnecessary, as so decided at a general meeting of loggers held only a few weeks ago in Vancouver, when these practical men had intimated that they were not prepared to accept government scaling and scalers. He argued that it would be time enough to make the change proposed when the millmen and loggers applied for it by petition to the house.

Mr. Sword commented that the British Columbia scale was still in force throughout the province, not the Spalding scale. It was manifestly unfair unless the scaling of all logs were carried on as recommended by the house committee, and as things were at present the dishonest millmen were cinching the loggers.

The amendment was rejected by the house, and the clause immediately thereafter passed, 15 to 12, the resolution in reply being at once agreed to in its entirety and passing through the usual forms.

PRIVILEGE.

Mr. Forster directed the attention of the house to the fact that, while at the last sitting of the house, he had answered the denial by the member for South Nanaimo of his statement that the people of Nanaimo had opposed the Esquimalt & Nanaimo railway grant, by stating that the people of Nanaimo had petitioned against that grant, the petition being on the records—the COLONIST report of the proceedings contained no reference to his explanation.

Hon. Mr. Turner had also a question of privilege, arising out of the reports in the Times and News-Advertiser of his remarks with reference to the London Statist. He had not said that the Statist was a scurrilous paper, but that certain papers in this province had treated in a scurrilous manner the same subject which the Statist had dealt with. He referred also to the comment upon the incident published by the News-Advertiser, in which it was attempted to contradict what he had said about the Statist by saying that Hon. Mr. Gladstone had testified to it as an authority on financial subjects. The connection here was far from clear, but what he wished to deal with was the matter of his alleged naming of the Statist as a scurrilous paper—which he had not done. What he had said was that if one paid the Statist enough for its advertising it would give the project advertised "a good send-off." Another point which he wished to deal with as a privilege arose out of the report in the COLONIST that he had objected to the consideration of the reply resolution seriatim—this he had not done, while expressing himself as convinced that no good could result from going all over the discussion that had already occupied a week and more.

Mr. Sword, under the same order of privilege, referred to the reply of the Attorney-General to his curfew law question. Hon. Mr. Eberts had intimated that he had been responsible for the omission of an age limit in the act. As a matter of fact this had been purposely left blank, to be filled in by the revisers.

Dr. Walkem, as questions of privilege appeared to be in order, urged that better provisions be made for members, in the matter of a room, which they at present sadly lacked.

Major Mutter and Mr. Williams supported this request, and Mr. Speaker said that it would receive immediate attention.

Hon. Mr. Martin—It is already receiving attention.

THE TAX ON MORTGAGES.

Pursuant to notice, Mr. Cotton moved, seconded by Mr. Semlin, "That in the opinion of this house the double taxation involved in the present system of taxing mortgages is an injustice."

The mover held that the amendment of existing legislation in relation to the mortgage tax had long been admitted to be deirable by members on both sides of the house, and had been promised by three successive premiers of the province—Hon. Mr. Robson, Hon. Mr. Davie, and Hon. Mr. Turner. It had been urged in explanation of the delay in carrying out these promises of reform that the revenue from the mortgage tax was required by the province, but now that the provincial revenue had so greatly expanded, the province could no doubt get along without this small contribution, the collection of which bore so hard upon the poor people. Quibbling over the matter was unnecessary—the man who had to obtain money by mortgaging his property was the man who in reality had to pay the mortgage tax, and thus he was compelled to pay more taxes on his property than the man who was not compelled to borrow. He had to pay double tribute—both in the form of taxes on his property and taxes on the loan, this double taxation often falling very heavily upon him at a time when he was least able to bear it.

Hon. Mr. Pooley had opposed similar resolutions before, and as his views were unchanged on the subject involved again opposed the proposal brought before the house. The tax complained of was a personal property tax, and if paid as alleged by the mortgagor, it was not by statutory obligation but by the mortgagor's own contract and volition, and therefore a matter with which the house had not to deal. If it was desired to make illegal all obligations which it was possible for a person to take upon himself by contract, taxation must cease entirely. If the changes suggested were made the result would not be in the end altered—for if the personal property tax was to be fixed upon the lender of money without his being able to secure it from the borrower, the lender would simply make up for the change by increasing his rate of interest. It was a fallacy to suppose for a moment that if this tax were removed the people who borrowed money would have a cent less to pay.

Mr. Sword—Do I understand the president of the council to say this is not double taxation?

Hon. Mr. Pooley—I certainly thought that I had made myself clear—it is not double taxation, for there is no statutory obligation upon the borrower or mortgagor—if he assumes the liability it is by voluntary contract.

Mr. Sword supported the resolution, holding that the mortgage tax if not technically such, was to practical purposes, double taxation.

Hon. Col. Baker opposed the resolution as a mere election scheme, the position of the matter having been clearly set forth by the president of the council. No doubt the borrower was practically though not legally compelled to bear the burden of the impost, but altering the law as was proposed would afford no relief to the borrower.

Mr. Williams congratulated all who opposed the resolution upon their good luck in being monied men, which would account for their opposition. He held that necessity was as strong as law in compelling the borrower at present to assume the payment of the mortgage tax, and pointed out that this tax had been held to be undesirable, and accordingly abolished in the Province of Ontario. British Columbia should follow the example thus set, and also abolish the tax, as promised by three successive premiers, the sense of the province being in favor of such abolition on the ground that the tax bears unfairly on a portion of the population least able to bear it.

Hon. Mr. Turner, as on past occasions when the same question was under debate, agreed with much that the opposition had said regarding the hardship not infrequently entailed on the borrower by the payment of this tax. He had personally felt it a hardship, but he knew of other indirect burdens upon the pocket that were quite as objectionable—for example there was hardly a leaseholder in the country that did not assume some obligation not contemplated by statute. The support of the senior member for Vancouver for the resolution could easily be understood when it was remembered that he represented one of the largest money-loaning corporations in the country, which did not forget to collect the tax from every borrower, and which would no doubt be among the first to raise its interest charges, in the event of this tax being abolished, making such legislative action the excuse. The premier denied that the present tax could fairly be described as dual taxation, which was unconstitutional, as the legislation provided for neither the assessment nor the collection of the impost. It was simply a case of when a man wanted to borrow money, the lender said to him, "I have to pay this tax if I lend, and I want you, as a condition of the loan you seek, to contract with me to pay it for me." Usually the borrower did so, but it was voluntarily. In the event of the existing legislation being changed as desired, the loan companies would no doubt take advantage of the change to make extra interest out of the borrowers—for these loan companies were not soft-hearted; they got all they could. It was quite true that the government had for a long time past been considering how a change might be made to do away with the present hardships entailed, but no satisfactory solution of the problem had yet presented itself. The former premier, now Chief Justice, had at one time proposed as a remedy the taxation of incomes derived from mortgages—but this only brought the matter back to the starting place, for if incomes derived from mortgages were taxed, the lenders of money would make it a point to get back the money from their clients. The present resolution appealed chiefly to two classes the loan companies and the advocates of single tax, for if it prevailed, the owner of a mortgaged farm would undoubtedly have to pay a yet higher tribute upon his property. The Premier continued to vigorous review the numerous practical objections offering in connection with the proposal of the third member for Vancouver, his remarks, evidently well considered and based upon careful investigation, being listened to with close attention by both sides of the house. His conclusions were that the change asked for would be no improvement, while offering opportunities for even greater abuses than at present were complained of. As to the remarks of the senior member for Vancouver, he noted that that member had been careful not to advocate in his opposition to the so-called dual taxation, that the cities who collected the taxes omit from the assessment rolls any mortgaged property. The sum of the premier's conclusions was in favor of retaining the personal property tax as at present until some more feasible scheme presented itself of meeting the points at issue.

Mr. Forster objected to some of the conclusions drawn by the last speaker, maintaining that the element of competition had been overlooked in the prediction that loan companies would make changes in the personal property tax their excuse for increasing rates. He maintained that the repeal of the existing tax would be beneficial to the borrower; and as to the point that abolition of this legislation would put more taxation on the unencumbered land, he quoted a well-to-do supporter of the change in his own district as inquiring "who is better able to pay it than the man who is not burdened with debt?"

Mr. Vedder favored the resolution, holding that the mortgage tax as at present collected bore unjustly on the poor man.

Major Mutter took objection to both the substance and the wording of the resolution, holding that the man who lends should be the man to pay the personal property tax. He introduced as an amendment the following:

"To add after the word 'house': the personal property tax on moneys included in mortgage and taxed to the mortgagee is not double taxation."

The question of the relevancy of the proposed amendment being challenged by Mr. Sword, it was debated at some length, the mover of the amendment finally moving adjournment of the debate.

B. C. AT THE PARIS EXPOSITION.

Mr. Helmcken moved, seconded by Hon. Mr. Turner: "Whereas, a world's fair is to be held in Paris, France, in the year 1900: And whereas it would be in the best interest of the province of British Columbia if as complete a collection as possible of the products and resources of the province could be procured to be forwarded in due time to such fair: Be it therefore resolved, that this house would respectfully urge upon the government of the province of British Columbia to take into early consideration the desirability of the province being properly represented in all branches of its varied resources at the said fair."

The mover briefly outlined the advantage that might be expected to accrue through British Columbia being adequately represented at the great Paris exhibition, and stated that the resolution had the approval of the government. He suggested colonial co-operation, but thought that British Columbia should not lose the opportunity to make the best showing possible of her great resources.

Hon. Mr. Turner, in seconding, said that the government assented to the desirability of the proposed action, and proceeded to emphasize the necessity of British Columbia being creditably represented, not only as part of the Dominion and of the Empire, but individually, as a land of great and rich resources.

Mr. Semlin, leaving aside the desirability of the proposed action, held that the resolution was out of order, as involving an expenditure of public money.

This point Mr. Speaker disposed of by saying that the Premier's assent was sufficient, and after further discussion of the point taken, as well as of the resolution, the latter was adopted without a division.

As the motion was put and carried, Mr. Kellie got in his final word. He hoped, he said, that when the time came to prepare the provincial exhibit, the government would not forget a model of the Kootenay cow—the cow that had supplied $200,000 worth of butter for the other parts of the province during the year just past.

The house will sit to-day at the usual hour.

Mr. Speaker when he left the chair last evening did not observe that the member for Comox was on his feet. Nor did he hear that gentleman's repeated attempts to attract his attention. As a result what Mr. Hunter was intending to say is unrecorded.

Mr. R. P. Rithet, the senior member for Victoria City, has arrived to take his seat in the legislature and his place on the public accounts committee. He was admittedly the most conspicuous member on the floor of the house yesterday.

The mining committee is to meet at 10 o'clock on Monday. Any person wishing amendments to the Mineral or Placer Mining Act is requested to send suggested amendments to the chairman of the committee as soon as may be possible.

As an outcome of the discussion of yesterday Mr. Kennedy has given notice of a series of questions addressed to the Chief Commissioner as to what rule logs are cut on leases, or on loggers' licenses computed for revenue; by what rule is the rebate computed on exported lumber, and is it the government's intention to abolish the rebate or reduce the dues at all. Mr. Kidd is anxious to learn from the Minister of Mines whether the provincial assessors place on the assessment roll as personal property all shares in joint stock companies held by shareholders.

Notices based upon recent decisions of the house committee now adorn the handsome doors of the legislative hall, the following being samples: "These doors will be closed while the house is in session to all but members, ex-members, persons presenting cards signed by the Speaker, and solicitors and parliamentary agents when the bills they may have in charge are under discussion. A page will be in attendance to convey communications to and from members and officers of the house." · · · "The library and reading room are exclusively for the use of members and ex-members of the legislature during the session of the legislature." Why ex-members of the legislature should be admitted to the library while house reporters, who usually have business there daily—constitutes another of those things which "no fellow can find out."

TUESDAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

The following, being the concluding portion of the report of the proceedings in the provincial legislature, appeared in the last edition of yesterday:

Mr. Rithet said he was sorry he had not been able to attend as constantly as he could have wished this session, and consequently had not heard the discussion in all its details; but if all the remarks were of the calibre of those he had heard to-day from the leader of the opposition he concluded he had not lost much. (Laughter.) Great stress had been laid upon his continued absence, but he did not think this had in any way interfered with the business of the house. He felt that he should be honored by such mention, especially as when the member for Vancouver was absent no mention was made of it on the floor of the house. He did not think that discussion of the speech should be allowed to interfere with the business of the house—what was wanted was action, not talk.

Mr. Hunter in rising to a point of order took the view that the speech could not be considered seriatim.

Dr. Walkem quite agreed that this would be a departure from the procedure of the house, but he was averse to curtailing in any way the free speech of any member.

Col. Baker believed that any reasonable person would acknowledge that the subject had been very much discussed—he might say exhausted, and it was simply wasting the time of the house to continue it further.

Mr. Turner said it had never been the intention to discuss it paragraph by paragraph.

Mr. Speaker ruled that it was perfectly in order to discuss the speech seriatim, agreement or no agreement.

Mr. Stoddart, in continuing the debate, thought considerable time had already been lost. On the subject of the buildings, he had been sorry to hear the senior member for Vancouver (Mr. Williams) say that they would be all right if they were on the mainland. He himself did not expect them to cost quite so much.

Mr. Williams denied having made such a statement, and Mr. Stoddart continuing said the statement was something like that. The buildings would be all right if at Vancouver or Westminster. He might mention that the vote had been carried by a large majority, which included the leader of the opposition. He congratulated every mechanic who had been engaged on the work. Referring to Kootenay, he spoke of the cow which was said to have caused the great fire at Chicago, saying that the government had been the cow which caused the prosperity in Kootenay. As to redistribution, he would stand by the government in whatever course they decided to pursue. The government had encouraged dairying in a most satisfactory way. He represented the most important dairying district in the province and was consequently in a position to speak on the subject. On the question of roads, he believed the roads were a credit to the province, and were much better on a whole than in Eastern provinces. As to the Pemberton Meadows road, the district was so sparsely settled he could not see that the government would be justified in incurring the expense of a wagon road.

The first two sections of the address were read a second time without comment, but when the third section was reached Mr. Cotton had an amendment to offer. This third section is the one congratulating the house on the development of the province, and to it Mr. Cotton desired to add a clause trusting that measures would be laid before the house abolishing the mortgage tax and doing away with the necessity of laborers in metalliferous mines taking out a free miner's license.

He moved this as an amendment, seconded by Mr. Graham.

Mr. Speaker ruled the amendment out of order on the ground that it embodied a resolution of which Mr. Cotton had already given notice this session.

Mr. Cotton appealed from this ruling, but the Speaker was sustained on the following division:

YEAS—Messrs. Sword, Forster, Macpherson, Huff, Williams, Smith, Kellie, Mutter, Helmcken, Baker, Turner, Martin, Rithet, Adams, Booth, Stoddart, Walkem, Pooley, Eberts, Bryden, Rogers, Hunter, Braden and McGregor—24.

NAYS—Messrs. Kennedy, Vedder, Kidd, Semlin, Cotton and Graham—6.

The debate was then adjourned until to-day.

MOTIONS.

A motion moved by Mr. Kennedy and seconded by Mr. Sword was carried, asking for correspondence in regard to the reopening of Campbell's Creek school.

Dr. Walkem, seconded by Mr. Stoddart, moved for correspondence in regard to the employment of Japs and Chinese underground in metalliferous mines. This was carried.

Mr. Smith moved, seconded by Mr. Stoddart, for a return in regard to revenue and expenditures in districts between July, 1894, and December, 1897. This was carried.

On motion of Mr. Semlin, seconded by Mr. Williams, it was resolved to bring down copies of correspondence in regard to an investigation against Constable Hunter.

REPORT.

Mr. Hunter reported for the Private Bills and Standing Orders committee that the standing orders had been complied with in the following bills: Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1886; B. C. Metalliferous Mines, Iron, Tin, Steel, Tin Plate and Metal Co. With regard to the petition of the C.P.N. Co., it exceeded the notice in that it applied for power to engage in the business of a trading company, but the committee recommended its admission.

The report was received.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Col. Baker introduced "An Act to amend the Coal Mines Regulations Act." This was read a first time and second reading fixed for Thursday.

The following private bills were read a first time and referred to the proper committees:

To incorporate the Alice Arm Railway.—Mr. Huff.

To incorporate the South East Kootenay Railway Company.—Mr. Hume.

To incorporate the Kootenay and North West Railway Company.—Mr. Hunter.

To amend the "Vancouver Incorporation Act, 1886," and amendments thereof.—Mr. Williams.

To incorporate the British Columbia Metalliferous Mines, Iron, Steel, Tinplate and Metal Company.—Mr. Hunter.

The house adjourned at 6 o'clock.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

Mr. Forster—A bill to amend the "Elections Regulation Act."

By Mr. Vedder—For a return of all papers and correspondence between the Attorney-General's office and any person regarding the death of Thomas Thompson and the inquest on the body of the same.

NOTES.

The private bills committee meets this morning at 10:30 to consider the following petitions:

No. 2—East Kootenay Valley Railway Co.

No. 16—Skeena River and Eastern Railway Co.

No. 23—Wm. McKenzie et al.

The return brought down by the Provincial Secretary in response to the resolution moved by Mr. Semlin asking for returns of correspondence in regard to the alien labor bill, states: "No correspondence respecting the alien labor bill has passed between the Provincial and Dominion governments."

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Information with Regard to the work to be undertaken can be had on application at the office of the Company's Engineer, H. P. Bell, Esq., 51 Five Sisters Block, Fort St. Victoria, B. C., where Forms of Tender, &c., can be obtained.

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HAVELOCK SMITH, Secretary.

Victoria, B. C., January 27th, 1898.

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Licence Authorising an Extra-Provincial Company to Carry on Business.

"Companies Act, 1897."

CANADA:
PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.
No. 56.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that "The New Goldfields of British Columbia, Limited," is authorised and licensed to carry on business within the Province of British Columbia, and to carry out or effect all or any of the objects hereinafter set forth to which the legislative authority of the Legislature of British Columbia extends.

The head office of the Company is situate at 23 Leadenhall Street, in the City of London.

The amount of the capital of the Company is two hundred and fifty thousand pounds, divided into two hundred and fifty thousand shares of one pound each.

The head office of the Company in this Province is situate in the City of Victoria, and Caldwell Ashworth, gentleman, whose address is No. 30 Broad Street, City of Victoria, is the attorney for the Company.

The objects for which the Company has been established are:—

[a.] To acquire in British Columbia and elsewhere by purchase, lease, concession, exchange or otherwise, mining property, claims, water rights, and also including lands, mines, mining rights and claims, minerals, ores, mills, stamps, smelting and other works for treating ores and minerals and rendering them marketable metals, including also all kinds of building, machinery and plant useful or supposed to be useful in mining, milling, treating or reducing ores or minerals, and any concessions, grants, decrees, claims, rights or privileges whatsoever, which may seem to the Company capable of being turned to account, and to work, develop, carry out, exercise and turn to account the same, and to dispose of any such concessions, grants, decrees, claims or privileges:

[b.] To carry on all kinds of exploration business and, in particular in relation to mines and minerals, to seek for and secure openings for capital, and with a view to any of the objects aforesaid, to prospect, enquire, examine, explore and test and to dispatch and employ expeditions, commissions, experts or other agents:

[c.] To carry on all kinds of promotion business and in particular to form, constitute, float, lend money to, assist and control any companies, partnerships, associations, or undertakings whatsoever:

[d.] To acquire by purchase, lease, licence, or otherwise, absolutely or conditionally, the rights either generally or exclusively, over any area or areas of or in all or any patent rights or processes or mechanical or other contrivances useful or supposed to be useful for any of the purposes of the Company, and to deal with or dispose of the same or any interest therein respectively:

[e.] To lay out towns and villages on the lands acquired or controlled by the Company, and to construct, maintain, alter, make, and work railways, tramways, telegraph lines, canals, reservoirs, wells, aqueducts, roads, streets, hotels, boarding houses, dwelling houses, factories, shops, stores, gas and water works, piers, wharves, buildings, machinery, and other works and appliances of every nature and description which may be expedient or useful, or deemed to be expedient or useful for the purposes of the Company, and to contribute to the cost of making, providing, and carrying on, and working the same:

[f.] To carry on any business, the carrying on of which the Company may think directly or indirectly conducive to the development of any property in which it is interested:

[g.] To sell, improve, manage, develop, lease, mortgage, dispose of, or otherwise deal with, all or any part of the property of the Company:

[h.] To prospect, explore and develop the resources of the said lands and hereditaments by building, planting, clearing, mining, and otherwise dealing with the same, and to stock the same or other lands, to cut and to sell timber, and generally to mine and carry on all sorts of mining operations in British Columbia, or any other part of the globe:

[i.] To purchase, lease, or otherwise acquire, settle, improve, colonize, farm and cultivate lands and hereditaments in British Columbia and elsewhere:

[j.] To stock the same or other lands, and to breed and deal in all kinds of stock, cattle, sheep and produce:

[k.] To work and carry on all or any mines, works, and properties from time to time in possession of the said Company in such manner as the Directors for the time being may determine; to erect all necessary mills and machinery and appliances, smelting works, laboratories, workshops, dwelling houses, and other buildings; construct, maintain, and alter canals, railways, water-courses, tramways, telegraph lines, or any other lines or system of communication whether by telegram, telephone, phonograph, phonophone or otherwise, by electricity, or by pneumatic force or otherwise, reservoirs, wells, aqueducts, gas and water works, drainage works, irrigation works, wharves, piers, and other works of every nature and description, purchase, rent, hire, or charter waggons, steam or sailing ships, to enter into and carry out such contracts and arrangements as may be deemed necessary and desirable to enable the Company to carry on its business, and for the general conduct and management of its affairs and the doing of all such other things as may be found incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects, whether in British Columbia, Great Britain or elsewhere:

[l.] To buy, sell, manufacture and deal in all kinds of goods, stores, implements, provisions, chattels and effects capable of being used or required by the Company or its workmen, or by any other persons who may settle on the property of the Company, or by others, and for that purpose to carry on the business of a general shopkeeper or merchant:

[m.] To purchase, build, charter, equip, load (either on commission or otherwise), sell, repair, let out to hire and trade with steam or other ships, boats and vessels of all kinds; to carry on the business of carriers by land and water:

[n.] To acquire by grant, purchase or otherwise, concessions of any property or privileges from any Government, British, Colonial or Foreign, and to perform and fulfil the terms and conditions:

[o.] To obtain any Act of Parliament or law or order of any Colonial or Foreign Legislature or Government for enabling the Company to carry any of its objects into effect:

[p.] To promote, form and register other companies in England or in any Colony, dependency, foreign country, state or territory, for the purpose of acquiring all or any of the property and liabilities of this Company, or for all or any of the objects mentioned in this Memorandum, or for advancing directly or indirectly the objects or interests thereof, and to take or otherwise acquire and to underwrite and hold shares, debentures or other securities, in or of any such company, and to guarantee the payment of any debentures or other securities issued by any such company:

[q.] To take or otherwise acquire and hold shares, debentures, bonds, or other securities of or in any other company having objects altogether or in part similar to those of this Company, or carrying on any business capable of being conducted so as directly or indirectly to benefit this Company:

[r.] To enter into partnership or into any arrangement for sharing profits, union of interests or co-operation with any person or company carring on or about to carry on any business or transaction capable of being conducted so as directly or indirectly to benefit this Company, and to take or otherwise acquire and hold shares or stock in any such company. To aid in the establishment and support of associations for the benefit of persons employed by or having dealings with the Company, and in particular friendly societies:

[s.] To carry on all kinds of financial or banking business, and in particular to negotiate loans and advances, to offer for subscription, place, buy, deal in, make merchantable, sell and dispose of ores, minerals, goods, bullion, specie, and valuables of all kinds, and merchandise generally in British Columbia, Great Britain or elsewhere, and to receive money on deposit and to collect revenue of all kinds:

[t.] To sell the undertaking of the Company or any part thereof for such consideration as the Company may think fit, and in particular for shares, debentures or securities of any other company having objects altogether or in part similar to those of this Company. To distribute any of the property of the Company among the members in specie, but so that no distribution amounting to a reduction of capital be made without the sanction of the Court, where necessary. To amalgamate with any other company having objects altogether or in part similar to those of this Company. To purchase or otherwise acquire and undertake all or any part of the business, property and liabilities of any person or company carrying on any business which this Company is authorised to carry on, or possessed of property suitable for the purposes of this Company:

[u.] To make, accept, indorse and execute promissory notes, bills of exchange and other negotiable instruments. To lend money, and in particular to persons having dealings with the Company. To raise money in such manner as the Company shall think fit, and in particular by the issue of debentures charged upon all or any of the Company's property (both present and future), including its uncalled capital or any specified portion thereof. To guarantee the performance of contracts by members of or persons having dealings with the Company:

[v.] To acquire patent rights and privileges in the United Kingdom or any other country or Colony or State for any purposes deemed to be useful for the Company, and to resell the same or turn the same to account by manufacturing thereunder, granting licences or otherwise:

[w.] To lend money to any company, partnership, person or association, upon security of their or his undertaking, property, estate, assets and effects, or any part thereof, upon such terms as may be deemed expedient, and to take such security either in the shape of mortgages, mortgage debentures or in any other form, or to lend money in British Columbia or Great Britain or elsewhere with or without security. To make donations to such persons and in such cases as may seem expedient, and to subscribe for any purposes whether charitable or benevolent, or for any public, general or useful object:

(x.) To pay the costs, charges and expenses of, or in connection with the formation and incorporation of the Company, and to remunerate any person or persons for services rendered or to be rendered to the Company, either in cash or in shares of the Company, either wholly or partly paid up:

(y.) To establish and maintain agencies of this Company in any colony or foreign state, and to procure the Company to be registered or incorporated in any colony or foreign state:

(z.) To do all such things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects, either alone or in partnership or in conjunction with any person or other association, and either as principals or agents, and including a power to pay brokerage or commission for services rendered in obtaining or guaranteeing or underwriting capital for the Company or otherwise.

Given under my hand and seal of office at Victoria, Province of British Columbia, this 24th day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

(L.S.) S. Y. WOOTTON,
ja27 *Registrar of Joint Stock Companies.*

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the province of British Columbia at its next session for an Act to incorporate a company with power to construct, equip, operate by any kind or kinds of motive power, and maintain either a standard or narrow gauge railway for the purpose of conveying passengers and freight, including all kinds of merchandise, from a point at or near Portland Inlet or Portland Canal, Cassiar District, British Columbia by the most direct and feasible route to a point at or near Teslin Lake; and with power to construct, equip, operate and maintain branch lines and all necessary roads, bridges, ways, ferries, wharves, docks and coal bunkers; and with power to build, own, equip, operate and maintain steam and other vessels and boats; and with power to build, equip, operate and maintain telegraph and telephone lines in connection with the said railway and branches; and to carry on a general express business, and to build and operate all kinds of plant for the purpose of supplying light, heat, electricity or any kind of motive power; and with power to expropriate lands for the purposes of the company; and to acquire lands, bonuses, privileges, or other aids from any government, municipality, or other persons or bodies corporate; and to make traffic or other arrangements with railways steamboats or other companies: and with power to build wagon roads to be used in the construction of such railway and in advance of the same, and to levy and collect tolls from all parties using and on all freight passing over any of such roads built by the company, whether built before or after the construction of the railway; and with all other usual, necessary or incidental rights, powers or privileges as may be necessary or incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects or any of them.

Dated at the City of Victoria the 4th day of August, A.D. 1897.

HUNTER & OLIVER,
au5 Solicitors for the Applicants.

NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at its next session by the Cowichan Lumber Company, Limited, for an Act to empower the said applicants to exercise in the Province of British Columbia all the powers, privileges and capacities granted to the said company by their charter under the Great seal of Canada, and especially to empower the said company to construct and maintain a retaining dam and such works in connection therewith as are hereinafter referred to in or upon the Cowichan River on Section 16, Range V., Quamichan District, upon such site and according to such plans and specifications as shall have received the approval of the Lieutenant-Governor in-Council, and to construct, maintain and operate a double or single line of tramway of such gauge as they may deem advisable, with necessary side tracks and turn outs, and to build bridges and erect, acquire and maintain telegraph and telephone lines along their said tramway, subject in so far as the same passes over any highway to the permission and under the supervision of the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, the said tramway to commence on the north side of Cowichan River, on Section 16, Range V. Quamichan District about 750 feet above the wagon road bridge across said river on Section 15, Range V. of said district, thence in an easterly direction following north bank of said river and intersecting the line of the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway and at such a distance from said river as will afford the most convenient route to a point at or near the mouth of said river with all the usual powers and privileges incidental to the construction and operation of such works with power to said company to use the water or water power to be created by the erection of such retaining dam for producing any form of power or for generating electricity for the purpose of light, heat and power, and for all and every purpose mentioned in Sections 80, 81, 82 and 83 of the Water Clauses Consolidation Act, 1897, and to do everything necessary or incidental to the carrying out of all or any of the objects referred to in said sections and to enter upon survey purchase and expropriate lands for the purposes of said works, and so that the provisions of the British Columbia Railway Act as to expropriation of lands shall apply for the right to take timber, stone, gravel and other materials for use and construction of said works; to levy and collect tolls from all passengers and in respect of all freight carried upon such tramway as the company may by regulation direct; to contract for supplying water and electricity for domestic, industrial and agricultural purposes, and to do all things which may be necessary to enable the said company to carry out such contracts within such limits, and subject to such conditions as may be prescribed by the Lieutenant Governor-in Council; and to charge and collect reasonable tolls and charges therefor.

Dated the 27th day of January, 1898.

CREASE & CREASE,
Solicitors for the Applicants.

Licence Authorizing an Extra-Provincial Company to Carry on Business.

"Companies Act, 1897."

CANADA:
PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.
No. 57.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that "The Incorporated Exploration Company of British Coumbia, Limited," is authorised and licensed to carry on business within the Province of British Columbia, and to carry out or effect all or any of the objects hereinafter set forth, to which the legislative authority of the Legislature of British Columbia extends.

The head office of the Company is situate at No. 58, New Broad Street, in the City of London.

The amount of the capital of the Company is £200,000, divided into 200,000 shares of £1 each.

The head office of the Company in this Province is situate at Slough Creek, Cariboo, and John Hopp, manager of the said Company, whose address is Slough Creek aforesaid, is the attorney for the Company.

The objects for which the Company has been established are:—

[a.] To adopt and carry into effect, either with or without modification, an agreement dated the 9th day of December, 1897, and made between the British Columbia Development Association, Limited, of the one part, and Herbert Cordery of the other part; and to develop, work, turn to account, or deal with the properties referred to in such agreement, or otherwise to exercise any of the hereinafter mentioned powers and objects of the Company, which powers and objects may be exercised independently of the primary objects stated in this clause:

[b.] To search for, examine, prospect and explore lands, mines, minerals, ores, mining rights, and claims in any part of the world; to search for and obtain information as to mines, mining districts, mining claims, water claims, water rights, and any other rights, claims and property; to examine, investigate, and secure the titles to lands, mines, minerals, ores, and mining or other rights and claims in any part of the world; to employ and send to any part of the world, and to pay the fees, costs, charges and expenses of agents including persons and corporations, mining experts, legal counsel, and all persons useful, or supposed to be useful, in examining, investigating, and exploring lands, mines, minerals, ores, mining and other rights and claims, or in examining, investigating and securing the title to lands, mines, minerals, ores, mining or other rights and claims in any part of the world; to print, publish, advertise and circulate reports, maps, plans, prospectuses and documents of every kind whatsoever, directly or indirectly relating, or supposed to relate, to lands, mines, minerals, ores, and mining or other rights, concessions and claims in any part of the world, or the title thereto, or to the organization, operations and objects of this Company or any other company:

[c.] To acquire from time to time, by purchase or otherwise, concessions, grants, freeholds, leases, rights, claims and interests in lands or other properties, of every description, in any part of the world, including mines, works, railways, tramways, lands, wharves, docks, canals, water rights and ways, quarries, forests, pits, mills, buildings, machinery, stocks, plants and things, upon such terms and in such manner as may be deemed advisable:

[d.] To lease, settle, improve, colonize and cultivate lands and hereditaments in any part of the world:

[e.] To develop the resources of the same lands and hereditaments, by buildings, planting, clearing, mining and otherwise dealing with the same:

and to breed and deal in all kinds of stock, cattle, sheep and produce; and to buy, manufacture and sell all kinds of goods, chattels and effects:

[g.] To aid, encourage and promote immigration into any lands or property acquired or controlled by the Company, and to colonize the same, and for such purposes to lend and grant any sums of money for any purpose which may be, or may be supposed to be, for the advantage of the Company:

[h.] To lay out towns or villages on any lands acquired or controlled by the Company, or in which the Company is in any way interested, and to construct, maintain, carry on and alter roads, streets, hotels, boarding houses, dwelling houses, factories, shops and stores, and to contribute to the cost of making, providing and carrying on and working the same:

[i.] To sell, improve, manage, develop, lease, mortgage, dispose of or otherwise deal with all or any part of the property of the Company:

[j.] To work and carry on all or any mines, works and properties from time to time in the possession of the Company, in such manner as may be determined, to erect all necessary mills and machinery and appliances, smelting works, laboratories, workshops, dwelling houses and other buildings; construct, maintain and alter canals, railways, water-courses, tramways, telegraph lines, reservoirs, wells, aqueducts, gas and water works, and supply of electric energy, wharves, piers and other works of every nature and description; purchase, rent, hire, or charter engines, waggons, steam or sailing ships:

[k.] To enter into and carry out such contracts and arrangements as may be deemed necessary and desirable to enable the Company to carry on its business, and for the general conduct and management of its affairs; and the doing of all such other things as may be found incidental or conducive to the attainment of the objects of the Company, whether at home or abroad:

[l.] To deal in, purchase, make merchantable, sell and dispose of ores, minerals, goods and merchandise generally in any part of the world:

[m.] To carry on the business of a mining, smelting, trading and metallurgical Company, in all its branches, in any part of the world:

[n.] To acquire by grant, purchase or otherwise, concessions of any property or privileges from any government, British, colonial, or foreign, and to perform and fulfil the terms and conditions thereof, and to obtain any Act of Parliament, or law, or order of any colonial or foreign legislature or government, for enabling the Company to carry any of its objects into effect:

[o.] To sell, exchange, mortgage, lease and otherwise deal with the property or undertaking of the Company, or any part thereof, for such consideration as the Company may think fit, and in particular for shares, debentures, or securities of any other company, having objects altogether or in part, similar to those of this Company, and to distribute any of the property of the Company among the members in specie, but so that no distribution amounting to a reduction of capital be made without the sanction of the Court where necessary:

[p.] To promote, organize and register, and to aid and assist in the promotion, organization, registration, operations and objects of any company or companies either in Great Britain, or elsewhere, for the purpose of acquiring all or any of the property of this Coupany or any other purpose, or to incur and pay any costs and expenses which may be expedient or useful, or supposed to be expedient or useful in and about the promotion, organization, registration, operations, and carrying into effect the objects, or supposed objects of any company or companies, and to remunerate any person or corporation for promoting, organizing or registering any company, or for introducing business to this Company, or for obtaining subscriptions to or guaranteeing the subscription of or placing or assisting in placing the shares or securities of any company promoted by this Company, or in which it is interested, or otherwise assisting or rendering services to this Company:

[q.] To lend and advance money upon the security or supposed security of farms, lands, mines, minerals, mining or other rights, concessions, or claims in any part of the world, or without security:

[r.] To purchase the property and goodwill of, or any interests in any business, and to make and carry into effect all arrangements with respect to the union of interests or amalgamation, either in whole or in part, with any other companies or persons having objects in some respects similar to or included in the objects of this Company, and to carry on any business, the carrying on of which the Company may think directly or indirectly conducive to the development of any property or any business in which it is interested.

[s.] To transact and carry on all kinds of agency business, and in particular to collect rents and debts and to negotiate loans and find investments, and to issue and place shares, stock, debentures, debenture stock and other securities, and to subscribe for, purchase, or otherwise acquire and hold, sell, dispose, deal in, negotiate and issue shares, stock, debentures, debenture stock or securities of any company or of any authority, supreme, municipal, local or otherwise.

[t.] To guarantee the payment of money secured by or payable under or in respect of bonds, debentures, debenture stock, contracts, mortgages, charges, obligations and securities of any company or of any authority, supreme, municipal, local or otherwise, or of any persons whomsoever, whether incorporated or not incorporated:

[u.] To guarantee the title to or quiet enjoyment of property either absolutely or subject to any qualifications or conditions, and to guarantee persons and corporations interested or about to be interested in any property against any loss, actions, proceedings, claims or demands in respect of any insufficiency or imperfection or deficiency of title, or in respect of any incumbrance, burdens or outstanding rights:

[v.] To borrow, raise and secure money by the issue of debentures, debenture stock or other obligations, or by mortgage or charge over all or any part of the property of the Company, including its uncalled capital, as may seem expedient:

[w.] To make, accept, indorse and execute promissory notes, bills of exchange and other negotiable instruments:

[x.] To establish and maintain agencies of the Company in any Colony or Foreign State, and to procure the Company to be registered or incorporated, or recognized in any Colony or Foreign State:

[y.] To do all such other things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects:

Given under my hand and seal of office at Victoria, Province of British Columbia, this twenty-sixth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

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SIGHTSEEING IN LONDON.

A Chicago Girl Notes That English Women Have Large Feet.

"Under these circumstances we took our first drive down Piccadilly, and Europe to me dates from that moment," writes Miss Lilian Bell in The Ladies' Home Journal. "The ship, the landing, the custom house, the train, the hotel—all these were mere preliminaries to Europe, which began then. People told me in America how my heart would swell at this and how I would thrill at that, but it was not so. My first real thrill came on me in Piccadilly. It went all over me in little shivers and came out at the ends of my fingers and then began once more at the base of my brain and did it all over again.

"I remember nothing definite about that first drive. I, for my part, saw with unseeing eyes. My sister had seen it all before, so she had the power of speech. Occasionally she prodded me and cried, 'Look, oh, look quickly!' But I never swerved. 'I can't look. If I do, I shall miss something. You attend to your own window and I'll attend to mine. Coming back I will see your side.'

"When we got beyond the shops, I said to the cabman:

"'Do you know exactly the way you have come?'

"'Yes, miss,' he said.

"'Then go back precisely the same way.

"'Have you lost something, miss?' he inquired.

"'Yes,' I said, 'I have lost an impression, and I must look till I find it.'

"We did it all over again that afternoon, and that second time I was able in a measure to detach myself from the hum and buzz and the dizzying effect of foreign faces, and I began to locate impressions. My first distinct recollections are of the great numbers of high hats on the men, the ill hanging skirts and big feet of the women, the unsteadying effect of all those thousands of cabs, carriages and carts all going to the left, which kept me constantly wishing to shriek out, 'Go to the right or we'll be killed!' the absolutely perfect manner in which traffic was managed and the majestic authority of the London police."

CARE FOR EMPLOYEES.

The Plan Which a Large Manufacturer Found Successful.

The question, "What is to become of the old man?" is one that is frequently discussed. Generally it is meant to apply to men who have not been able to save sufficient money to support them in their declining years and whose economic efficiency has become impaired by the passing of years. To be dependent upon their children or relatives is a humiliation that would imbitter that part of their lives which should be free from care. The almshouse is a horror of degradation from which they shrink. In some countries the governments have endeavored to solve the problem by a system of labor pensions. This is done in Germany; but, despite its merits, it still savors of charity or paternalism.

A few individuals have sought for a solution in this country. In at least one community the employer of 1,000 men insures the lives of all his workmen up to $3,000, and after 25 years of continuous service an employee may retire and continue to draw full wages as long as he lives. To do this the employer says that it costs him not over 1 per cent of his wages account, which he regards as the cheapest possible insurance against strikes and against the disturbance caused by constantly changing his working force. He puts by every year that small percentage of his profits to the account of wear and tear upon labor, just as he does a larger percentage to the account of wear and tear upon machinery. He is an earnest advocate of a national labor pension and insurance system—not by the government, but by an association of employers.—New York Mail and Express.

A Story of Abernethy.

This is the story of Dr. Abernethy which Tennyson used to tell. A farmer went to the great doctor complaining of disconfort in the head, weight and pain. The doctor said, "What quantity of ale do you take?" "Oh, I taakes my yaale pretty well." Abernethy (with great patience and gentleness), "Now then, to begin the day — breakfast, what time?" "Oh, at haafe past 7." "Ale then; how much?" "I taakes my quart." "Luncheon?" "At 11 o'clock, I gets another snack." "Ale then?" "Oh, yes, my pint and a haafe." "Dinner?" "Haafe past 1." "Any ale then?" "Yees, yees, another quart then." "Tea?" "My tea is at haafe past 5." "Ale then?" "Noa, noa." "Supper?" "Noine o'clock." "Ale then?" "Yees, yees. I taakes my fill then. I goes asleep arterward." Like a lion aroused, Abernethy was up, opened the street door, shoved the farmer out and shouted out, 'Go home, sir, and let me never see your face again. Go home, drink your ale and be damned." The farmer rushed out aghast, Abernethy pursuing him down the street with shouts of "Go home, sir, and be damned."—St. James Gazette.

He Benefited Humanity.

There is an oriental story of two brothers, Ahmed and Omar. Both wished to perform a deed whose memory should not fail, but which might sound their name and praises. Omar, with wedge and rope, lifted an obelisk on its base, carving its form in beautiful devices and sculpturing many a strange inscription on its sides. He set it in the hot desert to cope with its gales. Ahmed, with deeper wisdom and truer though sadder heart, digged a well to cheer the sandy waste and planted about it tall date palms to make cool shade for the thirsty pilgrim and to shake down fruits for his hunger.—Jewish Messenger.

The great Mohammedan school at Cairo, El Azhar, meaning "The Splendid," has clear records dating as far back as 975.

DEPARTING MINERS.

The "Danube" Sails at Midnight With a Crowd of Gold Seekers.

Victorians Who Leave to Find Wealth—A Bureau of Information at Skagway.

Down on Turner, Beeton & Co.'s wharf last night a crowd of men, women and children gathered to see the C.P.N. steamship Danube off for the North. The steamer left shortly after midnight and took away 400 tons of freight, made up of outfits, supplies and horse fodder, there being on board for Skagway upwards of 150 tons of hay. Only one horse was on board, but 40 more are to be taken on at Vancouver. In the way of dogs, 100 were taken on here, while many more will be received at the Terminal and Black Diamond cities. A great many of the passengers leaving on the Danube this trip have an idea that dogs are useless for travelling purposes and are therefore taking none with them. These people are Easterners and several are intending to go no farther than Dyea, Skagway or Wrangel, having decided to remain at these places until spring sets in. A. Mathews, E. T. Ferguson, A. McIntosh, J. C. Kenniston, and E. Mathews, of Boston, form one of the parties aboard. They are going to Dawson, but for the present will make Skagway their destination. One of its members said that he had heard nothing of Victoria's advantages as an outfitting point when East, while in some way quite unknown to himself Seattle business men got word of his going north in December last and were forwarding quotations galore. In a second party of Americans hailing from Stockton, Cal., were six young fellows who are bound at present for Teslin lake. The party is composed of J. R. Evans, Joe Merritt, D. Northop, A. Thretheway and Ed. Jury. They are not inexperienced miners and expect to strike something rich before reaching Dawson next summer. They have been in Victoria a week and will make their journey overland by way of the Stikine. J. T. Waters and his son W. C. Waters were two Victorians among the passengers whose destination is Dawson. They are equipped for a 14-month trip. They are going through by way of Teslin, and will remain there until the weather permits them going farther. An Australian party, of whom E. Hamilton and E. E. Morgan are members, and an Arizona party composed of Tom Poyton, J. Crosgrove and A. Finnerty, were among other strangers aboard, and they, too, are going to Dawson. The Dyer brothers, from Victoria, left on the steamer en route to Teslin Lake, and Mr. J. Henson, who formerly ran a boot and shoe store at 104 Fort street, took passage for Douglas island, where he will establish a business in the neighborhood of the Treadwell mines. Of other well known Victorians on the passenger list were A. M. Greig, Dave Henry and C. Cameron. These hope to strike good prospects before reaching Dawson, as they have no desire to be in the latter city when warm weather sets in for, as one put it, "the sanitation of the place must be awful." J. E. Whitehead was another Victorian, and he is going up to Skagway to establish a bureau of information in the interests of H.M. customs.

Among the passengers on the Danube were six provincial police under Chief Constable Bullock-Webster. They are well equipped with supplies and dog trains and will go up the Skeena on the ice, their destination being Glenora, Telegraph Creek and Teslin lake, two being stationed at each place, with Mr. Bullock-Webster to keep a general supervision over the district.

Other passengers ticketed were: J. McFarland, J. Delaney, D. Brown, J. F. Wardner, J. H. Wardner, J. Caldecott, E. W. Elliott, J. F. Elliott, J. W. Kirk, P. K. Lindsay, A. F. Englehardt, T. Davenport, J. D. Faker, T. Carmichan, R. McCrae, H. MacKay, A. Skola, G. MacKay, G. Chilton, W. H. Bullock-Webster, H. B. Graves, A. D. Drummond, H. Morton, J. R. Jackson, M. McLeod, H. Hill, L. C. Larsen, A. Bull, E. B. Corteson, A. R. Schultz, J. Gul, M. Finnerty, G. Snow, E. J. Lyons, S. Jackson, R. N. Cayton, C. W. Nisson, C. W. Heaney, L. W. N. Green, C. Lydyord, J. Lemm, J. Goff, C. J. Campbell, J. Mers, H. L. Cowan, F. Newman, H. Schneider, E. V. Wilson, N. Gifford, O. J. Florence, E. J. Fox, — Higgins, J. Duncan, M. Murphy, W. Blough, E. R. Stanton, T. McGrath, J. J. Brady, J. Speers, J. Braid, R. Smith, W. McConaghy, J. Wilkinson, W. Curdy, C. W. Kay, A. Smith, Wm. Dunlevy, C. W. Wilmot.

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J. Keith Wilson is back from a trip to the Mainland.

Dr. McGuigan was one of the arrivals from Vancouver by last night's Charmer.

J. M. Gamble, St. Louis, and John Webster, New York, are staying at the Driard.

E. F. Cassel, of Juneau, is registered at the Driard, as are also W. C. Scott and wife, of Nanaimo.

J. O. Johnston, representing the Hudson's Bay Knitting Co., of Montreal, is in town on business.

F. Wallace Whitlock and N. Shillito, of London, are at the Driard, as are also R. and D. E. Boultbee, of Toronto.

SPORTS AND PASTIMES.

JUNIOR CUP SERIES.

On Saturday the tenth game of the junior cup series will be played at Beacon Hill between North Ward and No. 2 Co. Victoria Boys' Brigade. The game will commence at 2 o'clock; referee Mr. W. N. Winsby.

WANDERERS V. Y.M.C.A.

There will be a practice game between the Victoria senior team, which will be picked from the Barracks and the Wanderers, and the Y.M.C.A, at Beacon Hill on Saturday, commencing at 3:30. The Y.M.C.A. team is as follows: Goal, W. H. Kinsman; backs, W. York and W. McKeown; half-backs, B. Schwengers, W. Lorimer and H. Stewart; forwards, H. Shandley, J. Lorimer, G. Parsons, W. N. Winsby and L. York.

DIED.

WILSON—On the 22nd inst., Isabella, the beloved wife of William Wilson, a native of Whitehaven, Cumberland, Eng., aged 59 years.

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A STORMY TRIP ENDED.

The "Boscowitz" Returns From Northern Ports After a Series of Delays.

Str. "Pakshan" Touches Beacon Rock—Northern Vessels Preparing to Sail.

After a trip to northern British Columbia ports and the now booming city of Wrangel at the mouth of the Stikine river the Barbara Boscowitz returned to port last evening, having been several days delayed through exceptionally rough weather and calls at numerous small fishing stations. She had as cargo on the return voyage a quantity of box lumber and another of bales and bundles of good furs. Her news, owing to the many interruptions in the trip, has been in the main anticipated by last Monday's arrivals, both the Danube and the Tees passing on their downward voyages, the latter in Millbank Sound. Among her passengers the Boscowitz brought to Victoria Mr. Wm. Dalby, who has been north in connection with his cannery interests on the Skeena river; Indian Agent and Mrs. Todd, who are down for a short vacation; Miss Steele and about fifteen or twenty other Northern residents. Capt. Steele was accompanied on the just completed trip by Capt. J. D. Warren, who enjoys a reputation second to none as a Northern coast pilot, and whose services were required on account of his familiarity with the latter part of the run to Wrangel.

THE "PAKSHAN'S" ADVENTURE.

Exaggerated rumors were on the streets yesterday as to an accident to the Pakshan. That vessel arrived at Nanaimo from Vancouver at 7 this morning, and on entering the harbor touched on Beacon rock, but came off undamaged as far as known. She sailed at 1 p.m. for the north. There is no truth in the report that she returned leaking.

THE RELIEF SHIP.

The ship Lucille, with the pack train of the Alaskan relief expedition, is still at Departure Bay awaiting the arrival of a tow boat. The mules have been landed. It is thought that the ship may perhaps be away in a day or two.

TUGBOATS ARE SCARCE.

Tugboats are in such great demand these days of Klondike rush that the steamer Willapa had to be secured to take the bark Melrose down from North Saanich to Esquimalt to-day. This will be the first towing the Willapa has done since she was fitted up as a passenger boat, save when some vessel in distress, such as the Commonwealth, is by accident run across. The Melrose has a cargo of 138,000 lineal feet of lumber for Santa Rosalia.

WILL SAIL TO-DAY.

The steamers Cottage City, Princess Louise and Tees are expected to leave Victoria for the North to-day. Each has a full load, the Cottage City having here already on board and having only to call here for to secure miner's licenses. In addition to these ships the Amur is now on the Esquimalt marine ways and all haste is being made to get her off with a load. She has capacity for an immense freight, and from present indications will be laden to her utmost capacity.

MARINE NOTES.

The tugs Sadie and Vancouver towed the cargo ship Agnes Oswald around to the outer wharf from Esquimalt yesterday morning.

In contrast to the crowd arriving for Victoria on the inbound 'Frisco steamer on Tuesday night the Walla Walla had a very light passenger list going south last evening. The list from here was made up of T. E. L. Taylor, T. Kelleher, Miss Hibben, Mrs. S. K. Shafer, Wm. Gulch and Mrs. R. J. Haughton.

The steamer Thistle did not get away for the North at the time expected yesterday, having been detained in port until evening. She was obliged to wait for an inspection to be made by Steamboat Inspector J. A. Thomson, who did not return from the Mainland until Tuesday evening.

ENTERED.

Str. Charmer	from	Vancouver.
" City of Kingston	"	Port Townsend.
" Walla Walla	"	" "
" Umatilla	"	San Francisco.
" Hope	"	Port Angeles.

CLEARED.

Str. Charmer	for	Vancouver.
" Danube	"	"
" Thistle	"	"
" City of Kingston	"	Port Townsend.
" Umatilla	"	" "
" Walla Walla	"	San Francisco.

TO FILL the vacancies left by the resignations of constables Gilchrist and Cameron, the police commissioners have selected Richard Llewellyn and Andrew Wood. There were twenty-six applicants in all. Llewellyn was, until recently, one of the R.M.A., and now having received an honorable discharge from that corps, he wants to try the police force for a while. Mr. Cameron, who joins the provincial police, was presented by his former comrades with a handsome gold ring, and Mr. Gilchrist, who is now mate of the Princess Louise, was the recipient of a fine field glass by the members of the force he was leaving.

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Americans Find Out How Much Cheaper Outfitting Prices Are in Victoria.

Not Only Do They Save Money But Get the Right Kind of Supplies.

Klondikers continue to pour into the city from all parts of the world. Many arrived from the South yesterday and are busily engaged in outfitting, while a considerable number went North on the Danuble. Among those registered at the Dominion last night were forty-four hailing from Oakland, Santa Barbara, San Jose, San Francisco and other California points.

F. C. Thiele and his partners, Ed. Carlson and Chris. Larson, had only the highest praise to bestow upon the merchants here for the courteous treatment they received. Mr. Theile is a merchant in Palo Alto, Cal., where he owns three stores. He says the price of provisions will be about the same as on the other side, but the dry goods are at least 25 and in very many cases 30 per cent. cheaper than either Seattle or San Francisco prices. He thought the Victoria merchants were trading upon a much smaller margin of profit than the Americans would be contented with. Mr. Thiele and his partners are loud in their praises of Victoria and Victorians. They had heard a great deal against the Britishers and were consequently agreeably surprised. They considered the people here very obliging, their conduct in this particular being in strong contrast to that Mr. Thiele and his friends had been used to. They also found the customs officials most polite, and the hotel accommodation good. Mr. Thiele has written to a number of his friends telling them that Victoria is the place to outfit if they want to save money and get the very best goods. The party who are staying at the Australian hotel are an advance guard of many more. They outfitted at J. Piercy & Co.'s and the Hudson's Bay Co., and are delighted with their treatment.

Another party is composed of W. Houston, Robt. Polk, J. Wessel and Theo. Meyer, all of San Francisco, who are going via the Stikine route to Teslin Lake. Mr. Houston stated that they had got prices in 'Frisco, but had come on here, having heard of Victoria as an outfitting point. On comparing Victoria prices on groceries with those obtained in 'Frisco they found the merchants here were selling a much better quality of goods at the same prices, and he and his party were ahead the freight and duty. Mr. Houston was quite positive as to the superior quality of the groceries sold here, while he said that on clothing the prices were all of 25 per cent. lower than those given in San Francisco. Another thing very much in favor of Victoria was that the merchants here understood their business thoroughly and knew just what was wanted, while if he and his party had purchased in San Francisco they would have been loaded up with a lot of good that would have turned out useless. Mr. Polk had written to a number of his friends telling them to come straight to Victoria, and he said that if this city were only better known a very much larger portion of the trade would be secured to the merchants here.

Louis M. Curry, of Chicago, leaves on the City of Seattle this morning. He stated that he and a number of others had outfitted in Chicago, and was much disappointed upon his arrival in Victoria to learn that he could not only have outfitted cheaper here, but have also saved the duty. While in Seattle he had obtained prices on an outfit, but these could not compare with those ruling in Victoria. The Seattle merchants on finding that he had outfitted in Chicago put their prices away down, but upon Mr. Curry sending round some of his friends to purchase their equipment the prices were run up again to their old figures. Mr. Curry was delighted with Victoria, and said he was simply astonished to find such a beautiful climate so far north. He has written to his friends to buy everything in Victoria.

Jacob Eul, of Chicago, and his partner, A. P. Shulz, of Maywood, Wn., also left on the Danube last evening, taking with them some 1,500 pounds of groceries besides other supplies. They are bound for the Stewart river, where Mr. Eul is interested in some claims. He stated that he had spent a considerable time on the Coast before coming to Victoria, and had obtained prices in Portland, Tacoma and Seattle. He had found, however, that not only could he save money by purchasing here, but he felt confident none of the Victoria merchants would impose upon him in any way. He was delighted with the city and the treatment he had received, and was sending word to his friends to outfit here. He thought that if Americans were allowed to carry off Canadian gold without let or hindrance, the least they could do was to purchase their outfits in Canada.

James E. Kidd, for fifteen years stage manager at Maguire's opera house, Butte City, Mont., is one of a party of thirty-five which arrived here from Seattle this morning to outfit for the North. He and his companions have been putting in the day looking at goods and getting prices, and have decided that it is to their advantage to buy on this side. He spoke in the very highest terms of the merchants of Victoria, and said that the quality of goods carried here far surpassed that of the goods displayed in Seattle. Mr. Kidd is taking in some material with which to open up a show should the opportunity offer, but he intends to try for the yellow metal first, commencing in the Northwest Territories and working gradually towards Alaska. Another section of the party have already gone up to try Copper river, or make an attempt to get into the country.

I. Friend, Riley Smith, Jas. Bunsek, of Chicago, and Wm. McCarthy, of Phœnix, Arizona, arrived here yesterday morning with the intention of outfitting for the Yukon. Mr. McCarthy accompanies the party as an expert miner, he having spent many years in this business in the Western States. He spoke in the warmest manner of the city and the people in it, saying it was "the nicest little town they had ever struck," and that the city was neat, clean, orderly, and (in most pleasing contrast with Seattle. He spoke in particularly high terms of the customs officials, who had, he said, spared no pains to facilitate his business. He had not had time to examine into the matter of prices very closely, although what he had seen of the goods and the few prices given him, impressed him in the most favorable manner. The party will remain here for about nine days, their present intention being to leave on the Queen on the 2nd prox.

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The Molsons Bank opened yesterday morning for business in commodious premises on the corner of Broughton and Government streets. The bank is handsomely furnished, and the manager, Mr. Bickford-Wilson, stated that he considered the outlook for the future a most favorable one. He had every faith in Victoria's stability, and believed her future progress would be most substantial and rapid. Already he has received a large number of inquiries from Eastern business men, asking information as to business openings here, and he believed many such chances existed, awaiting only the requisite capital. He expressed himself as thoroughly pleased with Victoria and its advantageous location from a local standpoint, and thought the climate all anyone could desire. The branch has been opened here in a most opportune time and should prove most successful.

ANANIAS SMITH

Tells How He and His Companions Bluffed the Mounted Police—Hairless Dogs.

What is truly called an interesting letter appears in the Fresno Republican, a California newspaper. It is from the pen of A. Z. Smith, and is dated from the Klondike, on December 18. When one reads the letter, the natural conclusion is that Mr. Smith's first name is Ananias, for the story he tells differs entirely from that of every other miner—American or Canadian—who has come in contact with the Mounted Police. As everybody knows, the police are only too willing to do all they can to assist the miners, but at the same time such a thing as bluffing them is impossible. Yet Mr. Smith pretends that the police tried to bully him until he frightened them by a show of resistance. Here is Mr. Smith's story:

"We had trouble with the Canadian police and almost had a shooting scrape, but we stood our ground. They have a station at White Horse Rapids and another on the Daleuthe trail. When we stopped they wanted to unpack our stuff. We would not let them do so, and then they tried to make us pay for camping ground. We would not do that, either, and there was a hot time for a few hours that night. When they saw that we would not be bluffed they said that we would see trouble before we got out of their country. I am not up here to be robbed, and I don't care what they say. A man has to be on the lookout or they will rob him of everything he has."

Mr. Smith has a little tale, too, of the hairless dogs he is introducing in the Yukon.

"I will tell you about our dogs. The Alaskan dogs are all right, but the American dogs are not very much good. In travelling on snow their feet ball up and they lie down and chew their paws. They pull the hair out of their toes, until their feet bleed and become so sore that they can't travel. Then we have to shoot them. We tried a scheme, though, that worked admirably. We tied them and burned all their hair off, and then burned their toes. Their feet did not get sore after they healed, and they were as good as any dogs we had."

THE Jolly Four celebrated their first annual masquerade ball in the Sir William Wallace Society's hall last evening, the Hector Quagliotti orchestra furnishing the music. About a hundred and fifty people attended and a very jolly time was spent. There were a great variety of laughable costumes worn, some being entirely new to Victoria. As best dressed lady Miss Selma Willie carried off the first prize, while for best sustained lady character Miss Amelia Peterson was equally successful. F. Keown and Frank Jewel were declared winners of the gentlemen's prizes, the judging committee being composed of J. Smith, W. Adams and A. Wilkinson.

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